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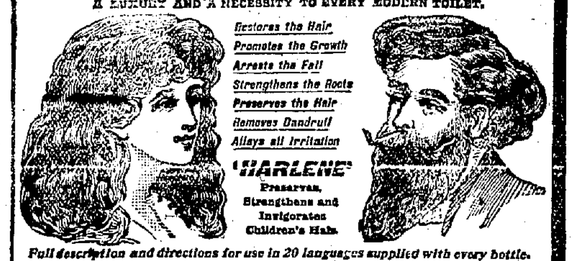
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HONGKONG SHARE REPORT.

In their weekly share report dated 24th December, Messrs Benjamin, Kelly and Potts write:—

Owing to the Christmas holidays which commence to-morrow, we are issuing our circular two days earlier than usual. The period under review has passed with very few changes and but little business has been done. We take this opportunity of wishing all our constituents the Compliments of the Season and a very Merry Christmas.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have ruled very steady, and further sales have been effected at $622½, the market closing firm at the rate. The London quotation has improved to £63. Nationals are to be had at $26.

Marine Insurances.—Beyond a sale of Yangtszes at $133, there is nothing to report in stocks under this heading.

Fire Insurances.—Both stocks are unaltered and without business.

Shipping.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats are down to $55, but at this price there are enquiries. Indo-Chinas are firmer, and have buyers at $86. Douglas Steamships have been disposed of at $41½. Star Ferries have changed hands at $23 for the old issue, and close in demand; the new shares are wanted at $13. Shell Transports have dropped to £17/6 cum dividend (2½ per cent).

Refineries.—China Sugars are in demand at $86. Luzons remain dull at $12½.

Mining.—Punjoms are weaker, and can be bought at $2½. Raubs have been negotiated at $6, and more shares can be placed. We are informed that the crushing for the current month produces 844½ ounces of smelted gold from 3,300 tons of stone treated. Sales of Chinese Engineering are reported in Shanghai at Tls. 8.10

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have been booked and are still enquired for at $210. Farnhams have changed hands in the North at Tls. 18½ ex. the interim dividend of Tls. 7 paid on the 22nd instant. Kowloon Wharfs are wanted at $88. Hongkew Wharfs have advanced, and sales at Tls. 310 have taken place.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—Hongkong Lands are in request at $185. Hongkong Hotels have been placed, and are still offering at $141. Humphreys' Estate are quoted at $12. China Providents can be sold at $9.85.

Cotton Mills.—Internationals and Laou-Kung-Mows have been done at Tls. 40 and Tls. 44 respectively. Ewos are quiet at Tls. 40. Hongkong Cottons can be obtained at $17½.

Cigar Companies.—We have heard of no business. Philippine Tobaccos have sellers at $30.

Miscellaneous.—Green Island Cements have again been dealt in at $20½. A. S. Watsons are in the market at $14½. Electrics (old issue) continue in request and after sales at $3.10 are still asked for at the rate; the new shares are procurable at $5.65. Tramways have changed hands at $345. Ropes are in strong request at $190. Langkats have risen to Tls. 165, and are in demand at this figure.

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Hongkong, December 23, 1902. 2648

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Hongkong, October 17, 1902. 2137

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THE MECHANISM OF A MODERN HOTEL.

Mr Carl Ritz, who should be an authority on the subject, contributes to the *London Magazine* an interesting article on the complex problem, 'How to Conduct a Great Hotel.' It is an office to which few of us will be called. Most people regard paying their hotel bills, or even leaving them unpaid, as a lesser evil than conducting the hotels themselves. It is a responsible office, apparently, for the capital sunk in a large modern hotel may be as much as £600,000, and is often more than £1,000,000.

In passing, Mr Ritz combats the idea that it is very expensive to live in a first-class hotel. For those who live in town only part of the year it is much cheaper than keeping up a house; and it is possible to live up to all requirements for £1 a day. Englishmen, says Mr Ritz, are little employed at hotels simply because they won't learn foreign languages. In a large hotel 85 per cent. of the cooks are French, and French is the *lingua franca* of the kitchen. The qualifications needed for the post of hotel manager are very considerable, everything from a good manner to the mastery of a number of foreign tongues being needed.

Few people could guess how many eggs are consumed in a first-class hotel in a year. Mr Ritz puts two figures for the Carlton at 380,000. Champagne is the wine most consumed, the figures for twelve months being 55,000 out of a total of 108,700 bottles of every kind. Bordeaux is a bad second with 16,000. The consumption of other items of provisions for twelve months in the Carlton Hotel is as follows:—

Meat, 400,000 lbs.; chickens, 25,000 pieces; ducks, geese and turkeys, 4,000 pieces; pigeons, 3,000 pieces; quails, 24,000 pieces; ortolans, 2,000 pieces; grouse, partridges, pheasants, 13,000 pieces; soles, 42,000 lbs.; other fish, 30,000 lbs.; hams and bacon, 47,000 lbs.; lard, 6,000 lbs.; butter, 47,000 lbs.

The supply of non-consumables is on an equally vast scale.

The following will give some idea of the stock required in a first-class hotel and restaurant combined; 3,000 table-cloths of various sizes, 20,000 to 25,000 napkins, 10,000 to 12,000 servants' cloths of various kinds. Chamber towels amount to something like 10,000, waiters', cooks,' and chambermaids' aprons about 3,000, sheets will amount up to 1,800 or 2,000, and pillow-cases at about 2000, all of which have to be kept in repair, and renewed at frequent intervals.

Then as to plate, 6,000 dessert, table, tea, and salt spoons are required; 6,000 forks; 1,500 to 2,000 fish forks and knives; 4,000 to 5,000 knives. Silver dishes of various sizes number from 1,500 to 2,000. Then there is a tremendous amount of china required. How would you like to wash 18,000 to 20,000 plates, besides other china and glasses, of which about £1,500 to £2,000 worth is broken every year.

Waiters number 125; there are twenty-five clerks, and sixty men in uniform. There are forty chambermaids: twenty cellarmen; and a large staff of engineers, painters, plumbers, and carpenters. In order to supervise this army, also to have a perpetual grin on his face for arriving guests, the manager gets up at seven in the morning and goes to bed at one.

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TO CONTRACTORS.
THE Tanjong Pagar Dock Company, Limited, Singapore, is prepared to receive TENDERS for the CONSTRUCTION or COMPLETION of a new GRAVING DOCK at Keppel Harbour in Singapore, of the following dimensions, viz.:—
Length ..... 400 feet.
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Depth on sill below H.W.O.S.T. 20 ,,
as shown in the drawings and described in the specification.
Specifications and plans of the proposed Dock, may be seen at the Offices of the Company in Singapore.
The Company does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.
Tenders shall be for a cost payable in Singapore, in Singapore currency.
Sealed tenders addressed to the undersigned, will be received up to the 28th day of February, 1903.
By order of the Directors,
W. C. NIVEN,
Secretary,
The Tanjong Pagar Dock Company, Limited.
Singapore, November 21, 1902 2515

Intimations.

NOTICE.

THE attention of the public is drawn to the provisions of the Stamp Amendment Ordinance 1902, whereby certain duties are increased, and it is recommended that at least a part of any stock of old forms be presented to the Stamp Office for surcharging before the 31st instant.

A copy of the new Schedule in force from the 1st January, 1903, can be seen at the Stamp Office.

A. M. THOMSON,
Treasurer, &c.
Hongkong, 22nd December, 1902. 2656

EOTHEN MARK LODGE—No. 264.

A REGULAR MEETING of the EOTHEN MARK LODGE will be held at the Freemasons' Hall on MONDAY, the 29th Instant, at 5.00 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.
Hongkong, December 23, 1902. 2642

LODGE EASTERN SCOTIA, KOWLOON, 923 S.C.

THE installation of the R.W.M. Elect and investiture of officers of the Lodge will take place on Tuesday, the 30th inst. at 6 p.m. sharp, at the Masonic Hall Zetland St., and not at Sir P. Chater's Bungalow, Kowloon.
Visiting brethren are cordially invited.
Members are notified that a subscription dance will take place on the 16th prox., and those wishing to attend are requested to inform the Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, December 24, 1902. 2629

THE EASTERN EXTENSION AND GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANIES.
REVISED CURRENCY CHARGES ON CABLEGRAMS.
THE Senders of Telegrams are hereby advised that from the 1st of JANUARY, 1903, the Currency equivalent of the Franc has been raised from $0.40 to $0.46, subject to further revision three months hence, at which rate the tariffs for all telegrams from China will be collected.
Any further information desired may be obtained by applying at the Companies' Offices.
J. M. BECK,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, December 22, 1902. 2628

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the REGISTERED OFFICES of the Company, 4, Queen's Buildings, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 29th day of DECEMBER, 1902, at 12 Noon, for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, passing, the subjoined Special Resolution.
RESOLUTION.
That the Company be wound up voluntarily under the Provisions of the Companies Ordinances 1865 to 1899, and that the Honourable CHARLES STEWART SHARP, ALEXANDER GEORGE, WOOD, and JOHN THOMAS MARTIN WHEELEY be appointed Liquidators of the said Company with liberty for each of them solely to exercise all the powers of the joint liquidators.
Dated this 13th day of December, 1902.
By Order of the Consulting Committee,
WILLIAM D. JUPP,
2569 *Acting Manager.*

THE HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAYS, CO., LTD.
NOTICE is hereby given that the EIGHTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the REGISTERED OFFICES of the Company, 38 and 40 Queen's Road Central on TUESDAY, the 30th Day of December 1902, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 30th November, 1902.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 23rd to 31st Instant, both days inclusive.
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, December 16, 1902. 2590

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Hongkong, November 29, 1902. 2467

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Hongkong, December 15, 1902. 2571

TO LET.
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Hongkong, December 8, 1902. 2528

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Hongkong, December 19, 1902. 2193

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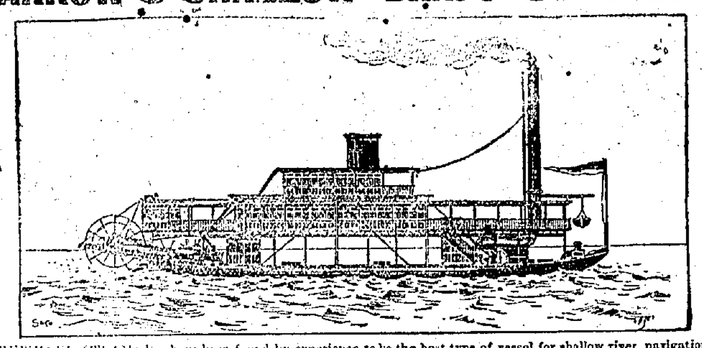
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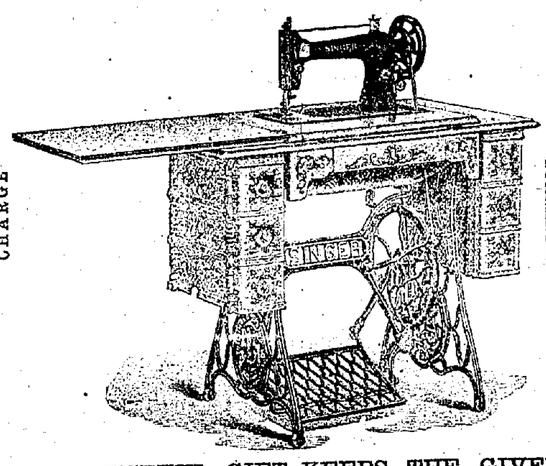
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MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.

Meetings.

Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of The China-Borneo Co., Ltd., at the Company's Registered Offices.
5.30 p.m.—Meeting of Eothen Mark Lodge.

General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, December 30:—
Goods per *Indradee* not cleared at Noon on this date subject to rent.
3 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Ltd., at Company's Registered Offices.
6 p.m.—Meeting of Lodge Eastern Scotia, Kowloon, 923 S.C., at Masonic Hall.

WEDNESDAY, January 21:—
Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of The National Bank of China, Ltd., at the Bank's Premises.

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MARRIAGE.

At the Union Church, Hongkong, on Christmas Day, by the Rev. C. H. Hickling, WILLIAM HUNTER, eldest son of the late Rev. Wm. Hunter, of Macduff, Aberdeenshire, to MARIE ALICE RAE, youngest daughter of Alexander Rae, of Culter, Aberdeenshire.

☞ *The publication of this issue commenced at 4.40 p.m.*

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1902.

DURING the year 1901, when the Foreign troops were about to evacuate Peking, old and experienced 'China hands' felt that it might easily happen that the new *régime* should be attended with considerable danger and much friction. It was likened to the transfer of passengers from an ocean-going steamer to Chinese junks, when the sea is high. Yet, as a matter of fact, the exchange was made with the minimum of excitement, and but for a few spectacular displays, and the incessant paragraph in the newspapers, one might have lived through it all, and never realized that anything especial was going on. The experience of last year in Peking was repeated during the early autumn in Tientsin. There seemed no longer any valid excuse, even to 'the Powers,' who are not critical as to the nature of excuses when it is convenient to make them (a trait in which they much resemble the Chinese) for declining to surrender the Port of Tientsin to its natural rulers—paaticularly as the Treaty, or Protocol, said nothing whatever about the retention of that particular city and region. All details having been settled at last the exchange was affected with a little flourish of local trumpets, and then everything went on as before. In Tientsin, as in Peking, the prediction was freely and confidently made that the Chinese would make a point of neutralizing all the improvements not expressly retained by agreement, and that the old order pure and simple would soon be in force. Events have not, however, justified this view, either in the capital or at its port of entry. So far as their limited experience and inadequate equipment of force allowed, the Chinese have taken up the municipal and civic regulations enforced by the military rule in Peking and the Provisional Government in Tientsin, and are carrying them on. Among these great alterations, as compared with the more former days, may be mentioned the lighting of every building by an external kerosene lamp all night, the patroling of the streets and roads with competent Chinese police at no distant intervals, and the improvement of the use of the roads by the regulation of the traffic and by the process of re-metalling.

Something like this was witnessed before, but the present is a great advance upon the past. Whether the present standards will be kept up, is another question, complicated as it may be with that of the continuity of the present government of the Chihli Province. It is an old story that the currency of China is always a source of either actual or potential danger to the welfare of the people. The peculiar difficulties under which Tientsin is labouring have been referred to by us on other occasions, but they have not been fully explained, for unless it be to insiders they are almost incomprehensible. Long before the Boxer trouble was ever heard of, Tientsin was suffering from perhaps the worst cash in China. The ordinary admixture of 'goose-eye' base coins (so called from their diminutive size) had gone on unchecked, until trade was in great confusion, and the experts were by no means agreed on a remedy. When the foreign troops came, there were no Chinese to do business, or very few, but as they began to slink back, confidence returned, and so did the counterfeiters, or 'private stove' men, who turn out these bad coins at a high rate, and at an immense profit. It was currently reported that the 'right' to emit these wretched frauds was actually sold by one of the Consuls to certain Chinese working on his 'Concession.' At any rate, the supply of the stuff increased, and the Provisional Government, which already had far more on hand than it could deal with, was totally unable to prevent the evil, or to devise any remedy. In fact, it is certain that in such cases nothing but the Draconian measures of the Chinese Despots who rule provinces with a rod of iron, would have been of any avail. There was a great scarcity of copper, there was an abnormal amount of the base coin on hand, which had literally driven out every vestige of the good, until the whole 'string' was made up of thin brass wafers not larger than a farthing, and intrinsically worth next to nothing. The value of the Mexican (or the preferred 'Standing Man') dollar, which was about 1600 cash in rational currency, rose to much more than twice that in the current cash, and all values were variable and uncertain. On the accession of the Chinese the Customs Tao-t'ai, Mr Tang, who is an energetic and a capable man, in consultation with the Governor General, Yuan Shih-k'ai, contrived a plan by which the poor cash should, within certain limits of time, be exchanged for good at the rate of four to one, for one month only. The next month the rate was to be three to one, then two to one, and when the southern rice appeared the small cash was to be used in the purchase of that staple, being thus turned over to the Government, the most severe penalities being threatened, not only against the use but even the holding of the base coins in quantities of more than ten strings, and high rewards were offered for information leading to the detection of offenders. Heads were to be taken off with a freedom never attained by the 'T. P. G.,' and everyone stood still with awe—or amusement—to watch the outcome. Then Tang Tao-tai fell ill, and Governor General Yuan went home to bury his step-mother. Meantime, long after the rigorous penalties should have been in actual operation, the currency is precisely the same as ever, only the price of the dollar in good cash is about 1500, while in the debased it is 4100 or more! This excellent illustration of the slight value really attached by the Chinese to the most peremptory and unequivocal orders from the highest sources shows in a clear light one of the inherent weaknesses of the present rulers of China. The same thing might have happened anywhere in the Empire and at any time.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Yaumati Fire.

The fire at Yaumati on Xmas night, by which several matsheds were destroyed, entailed a loss of $7,000.

Drowned in the Harbour.

A Chinese broker was drowned in the act of stepping from a sampan on to the Canton River Steamers' jetty on Xmas Eve.

In Favour of Silver.

It is considered almost inevitable that the Straits Settlements will have a gold currency. The Singapore Chinese, however, are preparing a petition to the Governor in favour of silver.

Lord Kitchener.

An Allahabad telegram states that Lord Kitchener, on the conclusion of the Delhi Durbar, will proceed on tour alone to the North-West Frontier, visiting all the princ military stations.

Mr John Barrett and Japan.

It it stated at Washington that Japan has objected to the Hon. John Barrett's nomination. It is believed that this is because he is an advocate of the exclusion of the Japanese, in a similar manner to the exclusion of the Chinese.

Another Germ Discovered!

Dr Manson, speaking on the 8th instant at a farewell dinner to Mr Balfour, Bacteriological Director of Gordon College, mentioned that the commission sent to Uganda had already discovered the germ which was the cause of 'sleeping sickness.'

Dengue Fever in London.

A London telegram dated 24th November says:—'A new type of influenza has made its appearance in North London. The outbreak is assuming the proportions of an epidemic. The disease is characterised by the symptoms of rheumatism, with swelling of the patient's limbs and ankles.' This is probably dengue fever, which made its presence felt painfully in Hongkong a few months ago.

The 'Monmouthshire.'

The *Kobe Herald* of the 18th inst. reports:—The new Shire liner *Monmouthshire*, commanded by that popular skipper Captain Vyvyan, was unfortunate enough to lose two blades of her propeller when coming through the Inland Sea. Not being able to get the Dock here she continued her voyage to Yokohama, having left here on the 12th. She seems to have had a rough time on the passage up as she only arrived there on the 16th, and had but one blade of her propeller left. It is probable she encountered the gale of Saturday last. She will have to dock either at Yokohama or Uraga now.

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TO feel with a bad cold. No one can tell what the end will be. Pneumonia, catarrh, chronic bronchitis and consumption invariably result from a neglected cold. As a medicine for the cure of colds, coughs and influenza, nothing can compare with Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It always cures and cures quickly. For sale by All Dealers; WATKINS Ltd., General Agents.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.

Cabinet crises continue in Corea, and the palace is guarded by troops.

The 3rd-class cruiser *Tsushima* was successfully launched at Kure on the 15th inst.

The steamer *Oslo*, which was stranded on the Loochoos, has been taken safely to Nagasaki.

Arrangements are being made to reduce the Transvaal Constabulary—Baden Powell's force.

A powder magazine exploded at Kure on the 16th inst., killing four and severely wounding seven men.

In the match between the Oxford Authentics and Madras Presidency, the Authentics won by 109 runs.

The Japanese steamer *Keisho Maru* caught fire shortly after leaving Chemulpo for Chinampo on the 15th inst., and sank: There was no loss of life.

The surplus of the Coronation Fund at Tientsin, $5,317, is to be handed to the Diamond Jubilee Hospital there towards the cost of an Isolation Ward.

The *Nagasaki Press* is enthusiastic over the engagement of Miss Irene Desplanques, formerly a most charming resident of Nagasaki, to Mr Pavloff, Russian Minister to Corea.

The U. S. S. *Oregon* reached Yokohama from San Francisco on the 13th inst., three days overdue. She lost all her boats and deck gear on the voyage, and had one man killed. She was ordered into dry dock.

A Gunner's Suicide.

Christmas at Victoria Barracks was saddened by a regrettable suicide. At 2.45 p.m. on Boxing Day, Gunner Penfold, R.G.A., who had been reproved by his Colonel, jumped from the upper verandah in "C" Block and was dashed to death on the concrete beneath. His military service was but nine months short of twelve years. At the funeral this afternoon many wreaths were laid on the coffin.

Football.

On Monday afternoon on the Happy Valley the Hongkong Football Club will play a team of 'Old Crocks.' Kick-off at a quarter past four:—

The following will represent the 'Old Crocks':—D. Wood, goal; H. Pinkney and Lieut. Donkin, R.N., backs; W. H. Howard, H. W. Looker, and A. Brooke Smith, halves; A. R. Lowe, Dr Atkinson, H. R. B. Hancock, J. D. Danby, and Comr. Kiddle, R.N., forwards. The 'Crocks' will play in white.

Rugby Football.

Thursday's match at the Happy Valley between the Rugby section of the Hongkong F.C. and H.M.S. *Goliath* was a one-sided affair; but it must be said that clubmen, regardless of Christmas tiffins and other good cheer, played a strong and skilful game, and fully deserved their victory. Tries were scored by W. W. Clark (2), Barnes (2), Paddy (2), Arthur (2) and Jordan (1). Goals were kicked by Jordan (3), Clark, Barnes and Jamieson. Paddy, who has just returned to Hongkong after some years' absence, partnered Jordan at half-back, and was a great success. The Club, at last, has got a suitable partner to Jordan, and with the pick of several good men for the three-quarter line they should make a very fine game of it against the full strength of the Navy next Saturday. 'A' team will play H.M.S. *Talbot* on Thursday next.

A Well-deserved Gift.

In great measure the success of the Janet Waldorf Co.'s present entertaining season has been due to the admirable management of Mrs Dow Currier, and it is gratifying to know that this fact is appreciated behind the scenes not one whit less than it is by those chosen few in front who are in a position to realise it. Last night the stage of the Theatre Royal witnessed one of these after-the-play acts which are most dear to the actor—the presentation of a memento. It was a chatelaine, a charming example of the art of the Chinese silversmith, and this was given by the members of the company to Mrs Dow Currier, in the very best sense their guide, philosopher, and friend. There were one or two simple speeches; Mr Wilson Forbes told why the chatelaine was given, and Mrs Dow Currier, made a pretty little speech in acknowledgment; and then came the toasts. The health of the recipient of the night's good wishes was honoured, on the proposition of Mr Norval Mc Gregor, Mr Albert Goldie proposed the Press, and then came 'long life to the manager,' Mr W. Reule, and the 'stars,' Miss Waldorf and Mr McGregor. The chatelaine will remind Mrs Dow Currier not merely of the affection of her co-workers in the art of Thespian entertainment, but also of more than a month of excellent playing at 'the gate of the Orient,' accomplished under the trying conditions which are inseparable from the budding of such a tour. We hope that she will wear it during many happy years to come.

PAINT looks all right on an old house, but on an old woman—well that's quite another story.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Fatal Plague.

A fatal case of plague, at 18, Wing Sing Street, was reported this afternoon.

Run Over.

An old woman was run over by a railway waggon at Matuikok on Xmas Eve. She was killed outright.

Another Collapse.

The first floor of No. 400 Station Street collapsed on Christmas Eve. No bones were broken.

Collision in the Harbour.

The master of fishing junk No. 71 has reported that a steamer from the North collided with his craft in the harbour, yesterday. The damage was not serious.

Hongkong Christian Union.

The usual prayer meeting will be held on Monday evening at 5.15, in the room of the Union, 13 Beaconsfield Arcade. Mr C. F. T. Parsons will preside. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Football.

A Rugby football match at Shanghai between the Shanghai F. C. and the United Services resulted in a win for the Club by 1 goal 6 tries (23 points) to 1 try.—For the Association football cup, the Shanghai F. C. beat the Recreation Club by 1 goal to nil.

The China Merchant's.

The *China Times* of the 15th inst. has a statement that an Imperial Decree issued on the 12th inst. announces that the Government would take over all the shares in the China Merchants' S. N. Co at par, and place the future control of the company in the hands of H.E. Yuan Shih-kai.

The Quarry Bay Affray.

In connection with the Quarry Bay Affray, in which Indian watchmen were assailed by Chinese with fatal results, the police have arrested and charged with assault the Indian whose molestation of a Chinese woman was said to be the primary cause of the trouble. At the Magistracy, to-day, the prisoner was remanded.

'Turned Up.'

An excellent performance of *Turned Up* was given by the Janet Waldorf Co. last night. Mr McGregor as George Medway, Miss Waldorf as Sabina, Mr Forbes as the come-back-to-life skipper, Mrs Dow Currier as the dark lady, and Mr Bayfield as the undertaker were particularly good. The play will be repeated to-night.

Improvements at the Peak.

The management of the Peak Hotel is to be congratulated upon the improved lighting of the approaches to this popular hotel. There is now a blaze of light in the vicinity of the hotel which serves to emphasize the inky darkness of the surrounding landscape. The Public Works Department might take a leaf from Mr Moir's book and give the Peakites a little more illumination.

Another Land Mark Going.

The contents of the German Club are being moved by pole-armed coolies, and a landmark of over thirty years' standing goes up higher. Our German friends have in the new building on Kennedy Road as handsome a location and habitation for a Club as can be found in the Far East. It is a credit to the German community, and its designs and details are a credit to Messrs Denison, Ram and Gibbs, the architects.

Sailors' and Soldiers' Home.

One of the most enjoyable evenings we remember to have participated in was that of Boxing Day in the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home, Arsenal Street. A sumptuous tea was arranged at 6 o'clock in the meeting room, which was prettily decorated with flags, and at the appointed time the tables were quite filled with soldiers, blue-jackets and civilians. The charge for the tea was 30 cents. After tea and the customary smoke, the men gathered to enjoy the entertainment, and right royally they did enjoy it. This comprised singing, reading and recitations, for the most part of a distinctly religious character. Amusing readings and recitations were not excluded, and were all the more effective by contrast, more than once leading the audience to the verge of tears and then bending them double with laughter. The singing was very enjoyable and inspiring, the pieces rendered being full of Christmas memories and soul-stirring thoughts. One incident should be mentioned because it illustrates the sympathy which most men feel with good work. The only speaker of the evening pointed out how fortunate we were here in Hongkong that we have so few poor, and yet it is a benediction to give to the really needy. He said that in his own English home at Christmastide, it was the custom to make a collection for Dr Stephenson's Home for waifs and orphans, which is doing a noble work akin to those directed by Dr Barnardo, and suggested that a collection be made for this purpose. The idea immediately caught on, and almost instantly, a representative from the Army and Navy respectively was literally 'passing round the hat.' At the close, it was found that more than $30 was given. So does the influence of such a gathering widen and bless.—*Contributed.*

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

ENGLAND AND GERMANY.

LONDON, December 25, 1902.

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, speaking at Stirling, said that he had nothing but condemnation for those who by their stupid and vulgar abuse had fomented discord between Great Britain and Germany. His complaint was in respect of the nature and extent of the obligations into which we had entered with Germany, and he thought that if ever there was a case for arbitration it was this one. It was no part of our national duty to collect falling dividends for bond-holders in Berlin.

SOMALILAND.

Italy having accorded the necessary facilities, seven hundred troops have left Berbera for Obbia where they are due to arrive on the 27th instant.

Count Lavatelli, representing Italy, accompanies the force.

THE VENEZUELAN DIFFICULTY.

Formal British and German proposals to President Roosevelt, asking him to arbitrate on the Venezuelan difficulty, have reached Washington to-day.

LATER.

An Italian Note has reached Washington, couched in the most cordial terms towards the United States. It says that Italy will be glad to see President Roosevelt arbitrate in the matter of the disputes with Venezuela, and that if not disposed to do so she has no objection to a reference of the questions to the Hague tribunal.

INDIAN MINERS FOR SOUTH AFRICA.

Several hundred Indians have started work in the Koffyfontein mines, Orange River Colony, to-day. This is a first experiment.

[S.-C. DAILY NEWS SERVICE.]

A WARNING TO THE TRADE UNIONS.

London, December 20.

The Taff Vale Railway Co. sued the Railway Servants' Union for £27,000 damages, for conspiracy to cause a strike in 1900, and have obtained a verdict, the assessment of damages being deferred. This is a severe blow to Trade Unionism.

A WONDERFUL PROOF OF CIVILISATION.

Before he left Nalr Obi, the Somalis presented Mr Chamberlain with an address in a silver casket.

THE PARLIAMENTARY CRISIS IN JAPAN.

Tokio, December 21.

The suspension of the Diet has been prolonged for seven days for the purpose of effecting a compromise, which is still doubtful.

House Gutted.

The three-storey house at No. 318 Queen's Road West, the lower portion of which is used as a box-maker's shop, was gutted by fire, last night. The cause has not been ascertained.

Selling Water by the Pail.

One would almost think that the Chinese in Hongkong are very harshly treated, if one were to judge from recent letters that have appeared in the local newspapers about the water supply. It is too much to expect the Chinese, who never know what 'a water supply' was in their native villages, to carry water from the street hydrants in Hongkong, and figures have been used fairly freely to show the enormous sums of money spent by the Chinese coolies of Hongkong to get fresh water from the streets. As a matter of fact, the Chinese here are not asked to do more than the working classes in many towns and villages in England. As a rule it costs the working classes at Home nothing but the effort to draw the water and carry it to their houses; and we do not see any strong reason why the Chinese—who, it must be remembered, are the real wasters of water in Hongkong—should not do the same. The greatest hardship here is when the supply is so far reduced as to compel the people to turn out at stated hours to get the water from the hydrants. Were the supply regular, as it probably would be if taps were removed from the Chinese houses, there would be less likelihood of shortage even in the driest years, and therefore no waste of time at improvised hydrants. The Chinese could then draw the water as they wanted it at their own convenience. It is not often that English towns suffer from scarcity of water, and it is all the more interesting therefore to read the following paragraph from a Home paper:—

Great scarcity of water still prevails in many villages in Hertfordshire. At the present time at Burkway, near Buntingford, the landlord on whose property is situated the only 'active' well in the district is selling water to the villagers at 1d. and 1½d. per pail. Many of them have to walk over a mile to fetch it, and it is only obtainable morning and evening when the water rises.

CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY.

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CRICKET.

HONGKONG C.C. v. UNITED SERVICES.

This most important match was started yesterday, and is being continued to-day. Ward had his usual luck, and, winning the toss, elected to bat, of course. The Club made a bad start, and were all out for 102, whereas the Services compiled 167 in the first innings.

Scores at tiffin time were :—

THE CLUB.—FIRST INNINGS.

W. C. D. Turner, b Fawcett	5
E. W. Maitland, c Clark, b Mackinlay	0
William Dixon, c Garde, b Mackinlay	0
H. Arthur, b Mackinlay	12
J. T. Dixon, c Garde, b Mackinlay	20
F. Maitland, b Fitch	24
A. G. Ward (Capt.), c Smith, b Mackinlay	15
T. E. Pearce, b Mackinlay	8
S. Powell, c Smith, b Toulmin	4
P. T. Lamble, not out	10
C. R. S. Cooper, c Moore, b Mackinlay	2
Extras	2
Total	102

UNITED SERVICE.

Capt. Fawcett, R.A., b Powell	7
R. B. Garde, R.N., b J. T. Dixon	41
C. H. McPringle, R.N., b Cooper	35
G. Moore, R.N., b J. T. Dixon	40
Lt. Smith, R.A., c and b J. T. Dixon	11
Lt. Toulmin, R.M.L.I., b J. T. Dixon	0
Mjr. Clarke, R.A.M.C., c Lamble, b Pearce	22
A. W. Mackinlay, c J. T. Dixon, b Pearce	1
Lt. Rimington, S.F., not out	0
Lt. Mahan, R.N., c Pearce, b J. T. Dixon	1
E. W. Fitch, R.N., c Ward, b J. T. Dixon	0
Extras	9
Total	167

CLUB—SECOND INNINGS.

Ward, c Garde, b Mackinlay	6
Turner, b Fawcett	3
J. T. Dixon, b Mackinlay	1
F. Maitland, b Fitch	18
T. E. Pearce, c Toulmin, b Fitch	21
E. W. Maitland, c Garde, b Fitch	0
W. Dixon, b Fitch	16
Lamble, c Smith, b Clark	7
Powell, not out	4
Cooper, not out	0
Extras	3
Total for 8 wickets	79

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

THE CLUB.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Mackinlay	17	3	45	7
Fawcett	6	1	27	1
Fitch	4	—	21	1
Toulmin	6	4	7	1

UNITED SERVICE.

Cooper	15	2	42	1
Powell	10.2	2	35	1
W. Dixon	3	1	11	—
Lamble	4	—	21	—
J. T. Dixon	17	6	35	6
Pearce	6	1	14	2

THE EVACUATION OF SHANGHAI.

Fatal Accident to a German.

SHANGHAI, December 22.

The departure of 150 men of the German garrison from Shanghai on Saturday morning was marred by a fatal accident. As the company, headed by officers and the band of the regiment, were passing the offices of the Equitable Life Insurance Society, on the Bund, the horse of a mounted infantryman collided in some way with a carriage, shied, and threw its rider, a young man 24 years of age, named H. G. Dann. Both legs of the unfortunate soldier were broken, several arteries were severed and, to make the nature of the fatality more horrible, a clasp knife in one of his trouser pockets was driven, by the force of the impact, right into the groin. Prompt assistance was immediately rendered by Dr Wendel, the regimental doctor, who was present, and a number of gentlemen who witnessed the accident. Dann was taken inside the offices of the Imperial Bank, and from there he was conveyed to the General Hospital. Here, despite every effort to save his life, the poor fellow died during the afternoon.

In connection with the departure of the troops another regrettable feature made itself apparent, and that was the absence of British officers at the jetty. The officers of the French garrison were present, and it is a pity that a misunderstanding should have interfered with the presence of the British officers to bid a hearty adieu to their German confreres. Owing to this omission, the German garrison may not be officially represented at the departure of the British troops to-day.

Later in the day on Saturday a company of the German garrison embarked on board a steamer for Tsingtao. They marched from the camp to the jetty accompanied by the regimental brass and drum and fife bands.

The 10th Jats will start from the Jessfield camp at eight o'clock this morning. At the Loong-tei bridge they will be met by the Town Band, which will play them down the Maloo, along the Bund, and over the Garden Bridge to the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf, where they will embark on the transport *Clive*. From two till three o'clock this afternoon a reception will be held on board by Major Maxwell and the officers of the regiment. The transport will leave soon after three o'clock.—*N.-C. Daily News.*

Countess Dudley's Illness.

The London correspondent of the *Indian Daily News* states that the Countess Dudley, wife of the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, has undergone an operation for appendicitis. The latest Bulletin (December 9) states that she has rallied from the effects.

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THE BEHAVIOUR OF MRS. BROOKS.

BY

W. PETT RIDGE

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It's all very well to say that none of us girls ought to have stayed on, but when you come to think of it, it isn't every house where you can do just as you like. Besides, the wages were good and the place was close to Hyde Park—that is no particular catch though in the winter months—and there were several families we were acquainted with in the neighbourhood. We were all taken over with the house, me and cook and Matthews and Wilhelm. Mrs Brooks drove up in a four-wheeler, with her husband, and the driver told Wilhelm that he had brought them from Peckham. I had never heard of the place before, because being tall and rather a good figure, as figures go, I have always been in houses in the West End, but cook had a sister living near there, and she said it was somewhere in the south-east part of London. Dreadful place evidently.

'I shall want to see all you servants d'rectly,' said Mrs Brooks. Matthews helped her with her furs as she stood in the hall, and Wilhelm took Mr Brooks' new silk hat and overcoat. 'I must give you all a good talking to the very first thing. Aye, James?'

'You're right, my dear,' agreed her husband.

'As we begin,' said the old lady, 'so we must go on. I know what servants are, and what is wanted in ruling over them is a glove of steel under—Aye, James?'

'Some'ing like that,' said Mr Brooks. 'Gently with that new topper of mine, my lad; I don't want the nap rubbed the wrong way first thing.'

'Madam,' remarked Wilhelm, 'loonch he is retty.'

'Lunch,' exclaimed Mr Brooks, 'why this is my dinner hower.'

'Loonch,' said Wilhelm, 'at one. Dinner, he arrive at eight.'

'The German chap's quite right, James,' said the old lady. 'You're putting both feet in it already. We must be prepared to eat twice as much as we've been in the 'abit of doing.'

'I'd forgot,' said her husband apologetically. 'Remind me, Maria, if you see me making any little slips, and I'll remind you.'

'I shall have *my* work cut out,' she said.

Wilhelm waited at lunch and I helped; you would have found it difficult to keep a straight face to see the old couple from Peckham, one seated at each end, and calling out to each other and saying what they thought of the food. They were very much puzzled over the cutlery at the side of their plates, and the general rule that they worked on seemed to be to use a fork when a knife was wanted, to take a knife when a fork was required, and in moments of difficulty to fall back on a spoon; watching the old fellow chasing food all over his plate with a piece of bread was as good as looking at a music-hall turn. When lunch was over we all had to go up into the dining-room and stand in a line: cook was against this, but we persuaded her to fall in just for the lark of the thing.

'Now,' said old Mrs Brooks rubbing her nose with the serviette, 'I want to talk to you. I want to make everything quite clear so that there shall be no sort of misunderstanding. James, you mustn't light up yet, and when you do light up it's got to be a cigar.'

Her husband sighed and replaced his briar pipe in his pocket.

'Me and Mr Brooks,' she went on, 'have been 'ard working people all our lives, and when we began we hadn't more than about thirty-five shillings in the savings bank to bless ourselves with.'

'Thirty-five and nine,' said her husband from the other end of the table.

'But we made up our minds that come what might we'd always work shoulder to shoulder. We've had mis-words now and again, but it's always been my fault.'

'Or mine,' he remarked.

'Be that as it may, we both went at it, 'orse, foot and artillery, as you may say, and the shop would never have prospered if he hadn't took off his coat and if I hadn't rolled up my sleeves.'

Mathews intimated that she was shocked.

'You must take something for that cough of yours, my girl,' said the old lady looking at her pointedly. 'I had a aunt once who neglected a cold, and she's in Honor Park cemetery and a very nice funeral it was too. I was asked and my sister wasn't. You remember, James?'

'Got on with your sermon,' he suggested from the other end of the table.

'Now my 'usband's elder brother,' she said, holding a dessert knife impressively, 'went out to Australia wherever that may be—'

'It's on the map somewhere,' remarked he husband.

'And he seems to have made money and we've some into it. See? It's no credit to us but at the same time it's no fault of ours. Now you've all been used to good families, and I daresay you'll find that me and Mr Brook—him especially—will now and again behave as though we're not exactly to the manner born.' See?'

Cook, on behalf of the rest of us, nodded.

'But I'm not going to have him laughed at, and Brooks is not going to let anybody sneer at me, so I want you to understand, all of you, that we're going to fill our new position as well as we can, and we shall learn gradually all the tricks of the trade, but meanwhile'—here she pointed the dessert knife at us separately and individually,—'meanwhile, no larks, if you please. You'll all go jest as you did under the late management, so to speak, and there's going to be no taking advantage of us if we have 'itherto been what you may call ordinary people. See?'

Cook made an appropriate reply, and when she finished Mrs Brooks said, 'Ear-ear' and we marched out of the room. I would have given my Savings Bank book to have been able to laugh whilst I was in the room; I made up for it when I got downstairs. 'Don't let anybody talk of giving notice,' I recommended. 'We're going to have rare larks with these two old dodderers.'

And rare larks, believe me, or believe me not, rare larks we had. Matthews is one of those girls that can never originate anything, but she can act on ideas once they are given to her, and the way we induced the old lady to dress up when she went out with her husband for a drive was enough to thaw the ice on the Serpentine. She looked like something off a Twelfth Cake. When I told her how to behave at the table she always pretended that she had known quite well but had forgotten; I believe if I had suggested she should take her soup with a fork she would have tried it, for the poor old soul was quite willing to believe that whatever was difficult was right. Mr Brooks used to go into the library, and pretend to read books, but I noticed that when I went in he smuggled away a copy of *Tit-Bits* rather hurriedly; he confessed one morning at breakfast that he could never get on with the *Times*, and his wife told him rather sharply that he would have to learn. One day I found on a writing-desk a lot of bill-heads he had filled up, just, I suppose, to occupy his time. 'Bo't of T. W. Brooks and Co.' they were headed, 'Cash drapers. The oldest established in South London.'

'Beg your pardon, sir,' I said, 'but you did want these kept?'

'Oh no, my girl,' he replied, taking them and tearing them into pieces. He seemed very much confused. 'I've only—only been having a little game of shops. Don't say anything to her about it.'

I said nothing to Mrs Brooks, but I naturally told them downstairs, and cook said if you were to ask *her* she should judge that the old chap was unhappy at having to give up business and probably wished himself, times out of mind, back again in Peckham. They arranged for a dinner party, and Matthews wrote out the cards of invitation—

'I'm not very 'andy with me pen,' explained the old lady.

—And when the evening came not one of the guests arrived; it turned out afterwards that some had objected to being patronised and others had taken offence at the letters R.S.V.P. Old Mrs Brooks cried that night, and her husband came up from the other end of the long dinner table to pat her hand and comfort her, and she threw her arms round his neck and cried.

'Oh, James! This is a rough world for people who've got too much money!'

She hunted all through the house for books on etiquette, but of course our late people did not want books to tell them anything on this subject, and she had to send Wilhelm along into Oxford Street. Wilhelm brought back one on 'The Sins of Society,' which the old lady after looking at threw into the fire; the other called 'You mustn't!' she studied until she seemed to become quite dazed at the number of things which one was not allowed to do. She bought the weekly fashion papers and spelt out the rules in the Department Column about leaving cards; I heard her tell Mr Brooks once that she would as lief try to learn whist, and when the old gentleman advised her not to trouble about it, she fired up and told him that it was their duty to live up to the new position, and as he did nothing in this way it was necessary for her to do all the more.

'I don't know, my dear,' he said, 'I've given up my pipe.'

'But you haven't learned to smoke cigars,' she retorted.

'And I wear a silk hat week days.'

'It comes right down on your ears.'

'I dress for dinner every evening.'

'And a pretty guy you look,' said the old lady crossly. 'Reminds me of nothing so much as the waiters in Tea Pot Row close to Greenwich Park.'

'It will all dry straight, my dear,' he urged. 'Everything does in this world if you only give it time.'

'I wish to goodness some had given your brother time, and prevented him from leaving his money to us. We were 'appy enough as we were.'

'The servants are listenin'.'

'See what nice Christmases we used to 'ave at Peckham! See how friendly everyone used to be, sending us bits of their plum pudding and what not, and me sending back a bit of mine in exchange. See how we used to sit up on our first floor after the company had gone and have our little drop of something and talk about old times! If you were 'alf a man, James, you'd take the blessed money, and throw it all over Westminster Bridge into the river.'

'A man,' said Mr Brooks in a stolid way, 'has got to do the best he can in the station that it pleases Providence to call him. Same thing may be said of a woman: to a certain extent.'

I asked them about Christmas. They were not going anywhere, they said, they would be at home all day, but the old lady told me that we were to do just what we had been in the habit of doing, and if it was customary for us to ask a few friends in, and have a sort of party, why we were to do so this time. I told her this was the usual thing, and downstairs Cook and me made all the necessary arrangements.

'My idea,' said Cook, 'under all the circumstances is simply this. No stint!'

We were so much our own masters and our own mistresses that we did, I admit, make rather generous preparations. Matthews asked her young man, who was an inspector on the Underground. Cook asked her sister, and her sister's two daughters and their young men. Wilhelm invited a German clerk in the City, who had come over with him from Strassburg, and I should have asked a certain young gentleman, only that he was under the impression that I was in independent circumstances, and it would never have done for him to have come near the house. Cook arranged for a person she knew to come in on Christmas night and play for us to dance, and a chap I never cared for (although at one time he was very keen on me) who served in a music shop Notting Hill way, arranged to lend a pianoforte on the understanding that we paid for the cartage. Old Mrs. Brooks took a great interest in all these preparations, and I never went into the room but she asked how everything was going on. She bought some holly and stuck it about the frames of the pictures in the dining-room; Matthews told her this was rather bad form, and the old lady said that bad form or good form she was going to keep Christmas somehow; both she and Mr Brooks had always been strict Wesleyans, and if they ignored Christmas they might as well ignore everything. I talked it over rather seriously with Cook, because I personally had never before been in a family which was no either Church of England or nothing; Cook said that try as one would one never found a place you could call absolutely perfect, and annoying as it might be to be in service under Dissenters, her advice was to simply make light of it.

There was fog about that Christmas, I remember; the post deliveries were all late, trains were delayed, and we had to light the gas in the kitchen to see to decorate the place. We had 'Welcome' just above the dust covers and 'Goodwill to all men' near the the area window; Cook said this would please the gentlemen. When Wilhelm and I took up lunch the old couple were standing at the window looking out at nothing, their arms around each other's waists; I think Mrs Brooks had been crying. I couldn't help feeling sorry for them, they seemed so lonely, and when I handed her the fish I said that all of us downstairs ventured to wish her a Merry Christmas.

'Now that is kind of you,' she cried thankfully. 'James, do you hear that?'

'Very nice indeed,' said the old gentleman from the other end of the table. 'Very thoughtful, I must say.'

'Was there any post this morning?' she asked.

'Not for you m'am,' I said.

She sighed and took up the wrong knife and fork. I put her right, and she sighed again.

'Letters so often go astray, my dear,' remarked old Mrs Brooks.

Not if people don't write them. I should have thought somebody at Peckham would have remembered—

'Shall I light up, ma'am?' I asked.

'No,' she said in a desolate sort of way. 'We never have lit up for Christmas yet and we won't begin now. James, did you say grace?'

'Slipped me memory, my love,' admitted her husband.

'Oh dear,' oh dear,' she wailed, 'what *are* we coming to, Christmas day and all.'

'Fow what we are about to receive,' said the old gentleman handing his head, 'Lord make us truly thankful for—'

'Amen,' said Mrs Brooks, 'There's many a poor soul would be glad of food like this, James.'

'Wish they'd come and eat my share then. I used to be a pretty good 'and with the knife and fork in the old days.'

'Everything's changed,' said his wife sadly, 'everything's changed since the old days.'

'Cheer up, old girl,' he urged, 'cheer up. Be merry and bright,' here his voice quavered, 'be merry and bright like I am. If it was a fine day, we'd have the horses out and take a nice drive round Peckham.'

'But it isn't a fine day.'

'Fog's bound to clear off,' he said encouragingly, 'sooner or later.'

It was unfortunate so far as our party downstairs was concerned, because everybody who did come was late, and full of long accounts of their adventures in the fog, and Matthew's young man, the Underground Inspector, never came at all because of some silly accident on the line. Then just as we began our first quadrille—we were rather unfashionable, to tell the truth, and started at five—there came a ring at the door, and Wilhelm had to go up and answer.

'Who was it?' we asked, when he returned, and we prepared to make a fresh start.

'Gentlemans from the City,' said Wilhelm.

'Nonsense,' I said. 'Gentlemen don't go to the City, and they don't come from the City on Christmas Day.'

'I don't know someting about it,' replied Wilhelm. 'I only know he say he wish Mr Brooks to see on important business. He would have been here earlier already only the train he was delayed for hours.'

'Whatever can it be,' said Cook. 'Pon me word, it's quite upsetting. I do wish people would have a little more tact.'

We were trying to make up a set for the Lancers (it's very awkward when there are not enough gentlemen to go round) when a tap came at the door. We stopped and Cook opened it. Old Mrs Brooks stood there, more cheerful than she had ever looked since the time she came into the house.

'Don't let me disturb you, my dears,' she said brightly, 'We've let the lawyer man out, and James and I thought you would all like to hear the good news.'

Cook was always dead against mistresses coming into her kitchen, but she made an exception in this case, and asked Mrs Brooks whether she wouldn't take a seat just for a moment. Mrs Brooks called to her husband, who, it appeared, was waiting on the stairs, and he came in. He too was looking like twenty shillings in the pound.

'Go on with your dancing,' said the old woman, cheerfully. 'All I wanted to tell you was that they've found my grown-up niece over in Melbourne—Mr Brooks' poor brother wouldn't take any notice of her after she married a newspaper man—and we're going to hand all the money over to her and we're going back to Peckham. Ain't we, James?'

'If you guessed again,' said Mr Brooks, 'you'd be wrong.'

Cook's opinion was that the time came with most people when they had found out the chair that suited them best, and that it was a pity then if anything occurred to disturb them. Cook said there was no use in being ambitious just for the sake of being ambitious, and few people could persuade themselves they were happy when they were not happy. Cook further declared she was sorry we had ever made fun of the old couple, and Cook said it would be a better world and a wiser world if everyone were as honest and simple and straightforward as Mr and Mrs Brooks.

For once, I agreed with cook.

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LATE TELEGRAMS.

A Heavy Week's Bill.

London, December 9.—Mr St. John Brodrick, speaking in the House of Commons, said the weekly cost of the Army in South Africa was £150,000. The extra cost, which was due to the increase of the garrison, was £60,000. Further economies were contemplated.

A Double Phantom.

Famine and typhus have appeared in Finland, and there is great distress in the south-west of Russia and the Caucasus.

No Expedition to Kano.

December 11.—Mr Chamberlain, replying, through a representative, in the House of Commons, said that there is no expedition against the Emir of Kano. The Military preparation is merely to secure the safety of the Anglo-French Boundary Commission.

The Council of Defence.

December 10.—Referring to the Council of Defence, Mr Balfour stated that he would make a statement early next session.

A Pathan Runs Amok.

Bombay, December 10.—An Afghan or Pathan, who lived in a mosque in the native town of Bombay, quarrelled with the crier and murdered him with a long butcher's knife. He then ran into the street and stabbed several people who tried to stop him, including a Police Jemadar, who died shortly afterwards. Another policeman arrested him after a long struggle during which he was stabbed in three places. It is probable that the third man will succumb to his injuries.

Promotions in the Indian Army.

London, December 9.—Lord George Hamilton said the deferred promotions of Colonels in the Indian Army to be Major-Generals would be gazetted shortly.

Arms for the Ameer.

Sir L. McIver, in the House of Commons, asked why warlike stores forwarded by the Ameer's agent in London were detained in Peshawar. Krupp guns being allowed to pass.

Lord George Hamilton replied that permission to import these Krupp guns was given to Abdur-Rahman by the Government of India in May, 1901. These munitions were not on the same footing. The Ameer is corresponding with the Government of India thereanent.

From Infantry to Cavalry.

Mr St. John Brodrick, in reply to Lord Edward Manners, defended the transfer of Colonel DeLisle from an Infantry appointment to command the second Provisional Regiment of Cavalry. It was clearly desirable that an officer of whatever arm who had proved himself competent to command a Cavalry Brigade in the field with marked destinction should be continued in the Cavalry. There was no deficiency of Cavalry officers qualified to serve as Colonels.

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PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1902. 2

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Steamers.	Destinations.	Sailing Dates.
SHINANO MARU, W. THOMPSON,	VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE, U.S.A., Via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	TUESDAY, 30th Dec., at 4 p.m.
KUMANO MARU, E. W. HASWELL,	SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, Via MANILA THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE.	THURSDAY, 1st Jan., at 4 p.m.
SANUKI MARU, W. TOWNSEND,	KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	FRIDAY, 2nd Jan., at Daylight.
BOMBAY MARU, T. KIBBALS,	BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE and COLOMBO.	FRIDAY, 2nd Jan., at Noon.
KAWACHI MARU, J. S. THOMPSON,	MARSEILLES, LONDON, and ANTWERP, *Via* SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.	SATURDAY, 10th Jan., at Daylight.
TOSA MARU, A. CHRISTIANSEN,	VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE, U.S.A., Via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	TUESDAY, 13th Jan., at 4 p.m.

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A. S. Mihara *Manager.*

Hongkong, December 27, 1902. 178

Shipping.

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OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	TELEMACHUS	6th January.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	PROMETHEUS	8th January.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	PYRRHUS	14th January.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	DIOMED	28th January.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON	PELEUS	6th January
LONDON	ANTENOR	20th January.
LONDON	TELEMACHUS	3rd February
LONDON	PROMETHEUS	17th February.
GENOA AND LIVERPOOL	TYDEUS	20th January.
MARSEILLES AND ANTWERP	PYRRHUS	21st February.

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Hongkong, December 27, 1902. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents*

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CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	PAKLING	22nd January.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	CHINGWO	3rd February.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MARSEILLES, ANTWERP AND AMSTERDAM.	OOPACK	16th January.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, and TACOMA, & all PACIFIC COAST POINTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PAKLING	24th January.

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CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

FOR	STEAMER	TO SAIL
NINGPO AND SHANGHAI	KAIGAN	29th December.
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BUISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	CHINGTU *† §‡	29th December.
KOBE	TAIYUAN *	31st December.
SHANGHAI	KANSU †	31st December.

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Steamers.	Sailing Dates.
KONIG ALBERT	WEDNESDAY, 7th Jan., 1903.
PRINZESS IRENE	WEDNESDAY, 21st Jan., 1903.
DARMSTADT †	WEDNESDAY, 4th Feb., 1903.
STUTTGART †	WEDNESDAY, 18th Feb., 1903.
PREUSSEN †	WEDNESDAY, 4th March, 1903.
HAMBURG *	WEDNESDAY, 18th March, 1903.
PRINZ HEINRICH †	WEDNESDAY, 1st April, 1903
SACHSEN †	WEDNESDAY, 15th April, 1903.

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Hongkong, December 24, 1902. 1724

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KOBE	*Pekin* †	G. R. LONGDEN, R.N.R.	About 31st Dec.
SHANGHAI	*Chusan*	C. L. DANIEL	2nd January.
LONDON, &c.	*Valetta* *	W. B. PALMER, R.N.R.	Noon, 3rd Jan.
LONDON VIA S'PORE, P'ANG, CL'BO, PORT SAID & MARSEILLES	*Bombay*	H. S. BRADSHAW	Noon, 7th Jan.

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Hongkong, December 26, 1902. 2245

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMER	LEAVING
TAMSUI, Via SWATOW AND AMOY,	*DAIGI MARU* T. W. GROVES,	SUNDAY, 28th December.
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T. ARIMA.
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Hongkong, December 24, 1902. 2579

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THE Company's well-known Steamship ROHILLA MARU, 3869 Tons, Captain E. P. BISHOP, will be despatched for MANILA on TUESDAY, the 30th December, at Noon. To be followed by Rosetta Maru on or about 5th January.

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FOR GENOA, ANTWERP AND LONDON.

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Hongkong, December 22, 1902. 2594

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1903.

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Hongkong, December 27, 1902. 110

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Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, December 16, 1902. 25 3

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

FOR MANILA.

THE Co.'s Japanese Mail Steamship, KUMANO MARU, 5,000 Tons, Captain E. W. HASWELL, will be despatched for the above Port on THURSDAY, the 1st January, at 4 p.m.

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Hongkong, December 20, 1902. 2619

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THE Steamship VICTORIA, Captain CASEY, will be despatched for the above port on or about the 28th December.

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SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., *Agents.*

Hongkong, December 17, 1902. 2601

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship CATHERINE APCAR, Captain S. H. BELSON, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 30th December, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

D. SASSOON & Co., LD., *Agents.*

Hongkong, December 24, 1902. 2647

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN PORTS, AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

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Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

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E. A. HEWETT, *Superintendent.*

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, December 20, 1902. 2618

'GLEN' LINE OF STEAMSHIPS.

FOR LONDON.

THE Steamship GLENLOCHY, Captain E. J. STALLARD, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 5th January, 1903.

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Hongkong, December 16, 1902. 2587

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

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Hongkong, December 17, 1902. 2559

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WEEK DAYS.

7.30 a.m. to 8.00 a.m...Every 10 minutes.
8.00 a.m. to 8.30 a.m...Every 15 minutes.
8.30 a.m. to 9.30 a.m...Every 10 minutes.
9.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m...Every 15 minutes.
11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m...Every 15 minutes.
12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m...Every 10 minutes.
1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m...Every 15 minutes.
1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m...Every 10 minutes.
2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m...Every 15 minutes.
3.30 p.m. to 5.00 p.m...Every 15 minutes.
5.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m...Every 10 minutes.
7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m...Every 15 minutes.

NIGHT CARS.

8.45 p.m. and 9 p.m., 9.45 p.m. to 11.15 p.m. every half hour.

SUNDAYS.

8.00 a.m. to 8.30 a.m...Every 15 minutes.
8.30 a.m. to 9.30 a.m...Every 30 minutes.
9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m...Every 15 minutes.
10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m...Every 10 minutes.
12.00 Noon to 1.00 p.m...Every 10 minutes.
1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m...Every 15 minutes.
5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m...Every 10 minutes.
6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m...Every 15 minutes.
7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m...Every 10 minutes.

NIGHT CARS as on Week Days.

SATURDAYS.

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SPECIAL CARS by Arrangement at the Company's Office, 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, *General Managers.*

Hongkong, December 17, 1901. 1065

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INDRA LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK.

THE Company's Steamship *Indradeo* having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 30th Instant at Noon will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognised.

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 4 p.m. To-day.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Agents.

Hongkong, December 23, 1902. 2610

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship
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OF THE NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LTD., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 3 p.m., to-day.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 31st Dec., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Wednesday, the 31st Dec., at 9.30 a.m.

All Claims must reach us before the 4th Jan., or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
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Hongkong, December 24, 1902. 2648

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Hongkong, March 18, 1902. 585

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Hongkong, July 2, 1901. 1379

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Hongkong, October 21, 1902. 1265

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THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS of the above Society in Hongkong, are prepared to issue POLICIES against FIRE on the usual terms.

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TOTAL FUNDS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1901, £15,722,693.

Authorised Capital	£3,000,000	0	0
Subscribed Capital	£2,750,000	0	0
Paid-up Capital	£687,500	0	0
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Hongkong, July 2, 1902. 1537

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Hongkong, March 31, 1900 738

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On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
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" 6 " 3½ " "
" 12 " 4 " "

J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, November 13, 1902. 366

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INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ PER CENT. per annum. Depositors may transfer at their option balances of $100 or more to the ONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK, to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 1, 1900. 1517

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED 1880.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED ... Yen 24,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP ... ... " 18,000,000
CAPITAL UNCALLED ... " 6,000,000
RESERVE FUND ... ... " 8,910,000
HEAD OFFICE—YOKOHAMA.

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On fixed deposits for 6 months, 4% per annum.
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TARO HODSUMI,
Manager.

Hongkong, October 31, 1902. 5

IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.

ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE ON THE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ... Tls. 5,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL, ... " 2,500,000

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On Fixed Deposits for 3 Months ... 3%
" " 6 " ... 4%
" " 12 " ... 5%

E. W. RUTTER,
Manager.

Hongkong, January 18, 1901 1970

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL.....$1,000,000.
PAID UP CAPITAL, ...£ 324,374.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

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Chief Manager
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Interest for 12 months fixed ... ... 5%.

Hongkong, November 20, 1901. 117

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL.....£1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED £1,125,000
PAID UP.....£ 562,500
RESERVE FUND.....£ 50,000

BANKERS:
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2% per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 12 Months .....4 %
" 6 " .....3½ %
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EVAN ORMISTON,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, April 1, 1902. 234

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Acting Manager.

Hongkong, December 1, 1902 1364

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CAPITAL PAID-UP £800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS £800,000
RESERVE FUND £650,000

INTEREST allowed on Current Account at the rate of 2 % per annum on the Daily balances.
On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 %
" " " 6 " 3½ %
" " " 3 " 2½ %

T. P. COCHRANE,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, June 2, 1902. 846

DEUTSCH-ASIATISCHE BANK.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, Shai Tls. 5,000,000.

HEAD OFFICE: SHANGHAI.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BERLIN.

BRANCHES.

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H. FIGGE,
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Hongkong, October 6, 1902. 296

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Butcher Meat. 肉食

		lb	
Beef sirloin & prime cut	Moi Lung Pa	lb	16
" Corned	Ham Ngau Yuk	"	16
" Roast	Shiu " "	"	16
" Soup	Tong Yuk	"	12
" Steak	Ngan Yuk Pa	"	16
" Sausages	Ngau Yuk Chaung	"	15
Bullock's Brains	Know	per set	6
" Tongue fresh	Ngau Li	each	45
" " corned	Ham Ngau Li	"	50
" Head	Ngau Tau	"	60
" Heart	Ngau Sum	lb.	8
" Hump, Salt	Ngau Kin	"	12
" Feet	Ngau Kerk	each	6
" Kidneys	Ngau Yiu	"	8
" Tail	Ngau Mei	"	16
" Liver	Ngau Con	lb.	8
" Tripe (undressed)	Ngau To	"	5
Calves' Head and Feet	Ngau-chai-tau-kak	set	75
Mutton Chop	Yeung Pai Kw	lb.	22
" Leg	Yeung Pei	"	22
" Shoulder	Yeung Shau	"	18
Pigs' Chitlings	Chi chong	"	7
" Feet	Chi Kerk	"	12
" Fry	Chi Chak	"	12
" Head	Chi Tau	"	14
" Heart	Chi Sum	each	9
" Kidneys	Chi Yiu	"	6
" Liver	Chi Con	lb.	21
Pork, Chop	Chi Pai Kwat	"	18
" Leg	Chu Pei	"	18
" Fat or Lard	Chu Yau	"	15
Sheeps' Head and Feet	Yeung Tau K'rk	set	50
" Heart	Yeung Sum	each	5
" Kidneys	Yeung Yiu	"	9
" Liver	Yeung Con	lb.	20
Sucking Pigs, To Order	Chu Chai	"	16
Suet, Beef	Sang Ngau Yau	"	18
" Mutton	Sang Yeung Yau	"	20
Veal	Ngau Chai Yuk	"	16
" Sausages	Ngan Chai Yuk Tong	"	15

Poultry.

	lb	
Chicken, Kai Chai	"	23
Capons, Large, Small, Sin Kai	"	25
Ducks, Ap...	"	20
Doves, Pan Kau	each	—
Geese, Hon Kai Tan	per dozen	20
Fowls, Canton, Kai	"	20
" Hainan, Hoi Nam Kai	"	20
Geese, Ngoi	"	18
Geese, Wild Sh'ai, Sh'ai Yer Ngoi	pair	$1.40
Musk Deer, Wong Keng	each	$4.00
Hare, Shanghai, Tu Chai	"	50
Partridge, Che Khoo	"	55
Pheasant, Shan Kai	pair	$1.45
Pigeons, Canton, Pak Kup	each	25
" Hoihow, Hoi How Pak Kup	"	22
Quail, Um-Chun	each	10
Rice Birds, Wo Fa Cheuk	dozen	—
Snipe, Sa-Chui	"	18
Turkeys, Cock, Phor Kai Kung	"	60
" Hen, " " Na	"	40
Wild Ducks, Sh'ai, Shanghai Sui-ap	pair	$1.30
Teal, Sui Ap Chai,	each	45
Wild Ducks, Canton, Sang Shing Sui Ap	ea.	75

Fish. 海鮮

	lb	
Barbel, Ka Yu	"	11
Bream, Bin Yu	"	12
Canton Fresh Water Fish, Ho Siu Yu	"	9
Carp, Li Yu	"	13
Catfish, Chik Yu	"	9
Codfish, Mun Yu	"	12
Crabs, Hai...	"	16
Cuttle Fish, Muk yu	"	10
Dab, Sa Mang Yu	"	8
Dace, Wong Mei Lun	"	
Dog Fish, Tit Tu Sa	"	7
Eels, Conger, Hak Mann	"	8
" Fresh water, Tam Siu Yu	"	10
Eels, Yellow, Wong Sin	"	16
Frogs, Tien Kai	"	24
Garoupa, Sek Pan	"	40
Gudgeon, Pak Kup Yu	"	11
Herrings, Tso Pak	"	12
Halibut, Cheung Kwan Y	"	14
Labrus, Wong Fa Yu	"	12
Loach, Wu Yu	"	7
Lobsters, Lung Ha	"	18
Mackerel, Chi Yu	"	12
Monk Fish, Mon Yu	"	13
Mullet, Chai Yu	"	15
Oysters, Sang Hoo	"	14
Par otfish, Kai Kung Yu	"	11
Perch, Tau Loo	"	12
Pike, Fa Paw Poong	"	11
Plaice, Pan Yu	"	14
Pomfret, Black, Hak Chong	"	14
Pomfrot, White, Pak Chong	"	18
Prawns, Ming Ha	"	25
Ray, Pei Pa Sa	"	8
Rock Fish, Sek Kau Kung	"	11
Roach, Chun Yu	"	18
Salmon, Ma Yau Yu	"	15
Shark, Sa Yu	"	7
Skate, Po Yu	"	7
Shrimps, Ha	"	18
Snapper, Lap Yu	"	15
Soles, Tat Sa Yu	"	16
Tench, Wan Yu	"	11
Turbot, Cho How Yu	"	14
Turtles, small, fresh water, Kerk Yu	"	60
White Bait, Ngan Yu C	"	11

Fruits. 菓子

	lb	
Almonds, Hung Yan	"	20
Apples, (California), Kam San Ping Kho	"	25
" (Chefoo), Tin Chun Ping Khor	"	—
" Small, Hoi Tong	"	—
" Custard, Fan Lai Chi	each	—
Bananas, fragrant, Canton, San Shing Heung Chiu	"	3
Bananas, (brides), Macao, San Heung Chiu	"	3
Chestnuts, Chinese, Foong Lut	"	10
Carambola, Yeung Tao	"	—
Cocoanuts, Yeh Tsz	each	7
Grapes, Sin Tai Tsz	"	—
Lemons, China, Ning Moong	"	7
Lichees, Dried, Lai Chi Con	"	12
Limes, (Saigon), Sai Kung Ning Moong	each	6
Mango, Manila, Lui Sung Mong	"	—
Mango, Saigon, Sai Kung Moong	"	—
Mau osteens, San Chuk Tsz	dozen	—
Oranges, (Canton), San Shing Tim Chang	"	5
" Small, Tai Kut	"	5
" Mandarin, Tim Kut	"	12
Olives, Pak Lam	lb	5
Pears, (American), Kam San Shut Li	"	—
" (Canton), Cooking, Sa Li	"	—
" (Shanghai), Sheung Hai Li	"	8
Peanuts, Fa Sang	"	10
Persimmons Large, Hung Chie	"	8
Pine-apples, 1st quality, Sheung Poon Ti Paw Law	each	5
" 2nd cooking, Chung-tang-paw-law	"	—
Plantains, Tai Cheu	"	2
Pomelo, Siam, Chim Lo Yau	"	8
Walnuts, Hop Tao	"	10

Vegetables, &c. 菜蔬

	lb	
Artichokes, Shanghai, Sheung Hai Ah Chi Cheuk	"	4
Beans, (French), Macao, Oh Moon Pin Ta	"	6
" (French), Shanghai, Sheung Hai Pin Tau	"	—
" Sprout, Ah Choi	"	3
" Long, Tau Kok	"	—
Bean Sprouts, Hung Choi Tau	each	2
Brinjals, Green, Ching Yuen Ker	"	—
" Red, Hung Ker	"	4
Brassica, Pak Choi	"	2
Bamboo Shoots, Chouk Shun	"	25
Cabbage, Chinese, com. Kai Choy	"	3
Cabbage Root, Kai Lau Tau	each	2
Cabbage, (Shanghai), Yeh Choi	"	7
Cane Sheets, bunch, Kau Shun	"	2
Cauliflower, Large size, Tai Yek Choi-fa	each	12
" Medium size, Cheung Yeh Cho-fa	"	9
" Small size, Sai Yeh Choi Fa	"	6
Carrots, Kam Shun	"	4
Celery, Chinese, Tong Kan Choi	"	3
" English, Yeung " "	"	6
" White, Pak " "	"	6
Chilies Dried, Con Lai Chi	"	20
" Red, Hung Fa "	"	20
" Green, Ching Lat Chiu	"	10
Curry Stuff, English, Ka Lee Choi Liu	"	6
Cucumbers, Ching Kwa	"	8
Bitter Squash, Fu Kwa	"	—
Garlic, Suen Tau	"	6
Ginger, young, Sun Tsz Keung	"	6
" old, Lo Keung	"	6
Horse Radish, S'hai, Lik Kan	"	16
Indian Corn, Suk Mai	piece	—
Lettuce, Yeung Sang Choi	each	1
Water Chestnuts, Ma Tai	"	4
" Mandarin, Kwei Lum Ma Tai	"	6
Mushrooms, Fresh, Sang Cho Kho	"	—
Onions, Bombay, Yeung Ching an	"	8
" Green, Sang Chung	"	2
" Shanghai, Saeung Hai Chung Tau	"	—
" Japan, Yut Poon " "	"	6
Okroes, Mo Kor	"	—
Parsley, English, Yeung Un Sai	"	1
Green Peas, Ching Tau	"	10
Potatoes, Sweet, Fan Shu	"	3
" Shanghai, Sheung Hai Shu Tsai	"	2
" Japan, Yut Poon Shu Tsai	"	—
" American, Fa Ki " "	"	—
" Foochow, Fuk Chau hu Tsai	"	3
" Macao, Oh Moon "	"	3
Pumpkin, Toong Kwa	"	3
Radish, Hung Lo Pak Tsai	dozen	2
Shalots, Con Chung Tau	"	4
Spinage, (Chinese), Paw Choi	"	4
Spinach, Yin Choi	"	—
Tomatoes, Fan Ker	"	6
Taros, Wu Tau	"	3
Turnips, Punti, (Long), Low Pak	"	2
" English, Jeung Low Pak	piece	—
Vegetable Marrow, Chit Kwa	"	—
Waters Cresses, Sai Yeung Choi	"	4
Yams, Ta Shu	"	3

ROBERT G. McEWEN,
Inspector in charge of Markets.

CHURCH SERVICES.

Union Church.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28.

11 a.m.: Sanctus, No. 556, Attwood; Hymn, No. 511 (St. Ann). Croft; Psalm, No. 119, Parts 7 and 8 (Double Chants), Boyce and Lemon; Anthem, 'Abide with me,' Barnby; Hymn, No. 15 (Abridge), Smith; Hymn, No. 258 (St. Mabyn), Brown.

6 p.m.:—Hymn, No. 28 (Sursam Corda), Handel; Hymn, 248 (Munich), German Chorale; Hymn, No. 510 (Chalvey), Hayne; Hymn, No. 512 (St. Sylvester), Dykes; Hymn, No. 18 (Tune 19), (Passion Chorale), Hassler.

Wesleyan Methodist Church, Wanchai.

Morning:—10.15 Evening:—6.

Gospel Hall, 6 Arsenal Street.

Meetings are held as follows:—

Sunday:—Acts 2.42, 11 a.m. Gospel Address, 6 p.m.

Tuesday:—Soldiers' & Sailors' Bible Class. 6 p.m.

Thursday:—General Bible Class, 6 p.m.

Saturday:—Prayer Meeting, 6 p.m.

Naval Depot, Kowloon.

Sunday Service:—6 p.m.

Peak Church.

8 a.m.:—Holy Communion.

VISITORS AT HOTELS.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

Lt. E. V. Aeylin	Mrs Henderson
Mrs Airey	Mr M. Hernfeld
Mr J. Adlin	Mr and Mrs W. P. Hill
Mr W. S. Allen	Mr F. D. Hill
Mrs Philip Andrews	Mr A. Hollingsworth
Mr M. Babo	Mr T. Howard
Mr W. S. Bailey	Mr & Mrs Jameson
Mr E. E. Barrey	Mr E. W. Johnson
Mr J. T. Bell	Mr and Mrs Johnson
Mr C. F. Bingay	Mr and Mrs Joseph, E.S.
Mr and Mrs G. du Bois	Mr E. A. Katsch
Mr & Mrs R. Boggan	Mr G. J. Kavanangh
Mrs Bonar	Mr K. Kawata
Miss A. V. Bonner	Mr S. L. Lassell
Mr and Mrs R. W. Borthwick	Mr and Mrs J. S. Leeds
Dr F. H. Bowers	Mr T. P. McAran
Mr J. W. Brown	Mr R. Macgowan
Mr M. S. Brown	Mrs C. J. Miller
Mr & Mrs Campignon	Mr & Mrs Milton
Mr A. Campignon	Mr G. E. Morrison
Mr & Mrs Carter	Capt. A. L. da Motta
Capt. & Mrs Casswell and maid	Mr and Mrs E. O. Murphy
Hon. Dr F. Clark	Mr E. H. Murray
Mr W. J. Clarke	Capt. Nasbit
Mr G. E. Cole	Mr C. J. North, R.N.
Mr J. S. Colson	Mrs Osborne
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Mrs M. B. Curley	Mr J. Rankin
Mr J. Curley	Miss Reeve
Mr and Mrs W. B. Curtis	Mr N. T. Safford
Mr H. H. Curtis	Mrs C. Salmon
Mrs Dean	Mr K. A. Schlander
Mr & Mrs Denning	Mr & Mrs Schroeder
Mr W. Dennis	Mr A. Seler
Mr F. H. Derbyshire	Mr C. Skott
Mr T. C. Downing	Mr E. A. Snowin
Mr M. Dupont	Capt. Stevenson, R.A.
Mr F. W. Edwards	Mr A. J. Taylor
Mr J. Favre	Mr C. Terkelsen
Mr H. G. Fisher	Dr J. C. Thomson
Mr [illegible] Forsyth	Mr W. von Uffell
Mr J. L. Gayoso	Mr & Mrs Warren
Mr & Mrs Garland	Mr G. R. Watkins
Mrs Geissler	Col. and Mrs W. E. Webb, R.A.M.C.
Mr C. Glover	Mr L. S. Webb
Miss Goddard	Mrs A. M. Whitton
Mr and Mrs Gordon	Mr A. J. Williams
Miss Gowing	Mrs H. B. Wilson & child
Mr J. Grant	
Maj. L. T. Griffith	
Mr & Mrs Hamilton	
Miss Hawes	Mr T. E. Woodward
Mr A. Hayter	Mr and Mrs C. E. Woolmer
Mr R. G. Heckford	Col. W. F. Wright
Capt. and Mrs E. S. Heiberg	
Capt. F. H. Henderson, R.N.	

KING EDWARD HOTEL.

Mr & Mrs S. Bisney	Mr Kerfoot Hughes
Miss N. Bisney	Mr F. Kiene
Miss J. Bisney	Mrs F. Kiene
Miss G. Bisney	Capt. & Mrs H. Krebs
Capt. McClinlock	Captain Langlands, A.O.D.
Mrs McClinlock	Mrs Langlands
Mr N. K. Davidson	Mr T. Lauts
Mrs R. D. Evans	Mr E. C. Pontifex
Miss Evans	Mr and Mrs M. J. D. Stephens
Mr Samuel Farrell	Capt. Stokes, R.N.
Mr F. Focke	Mrs Stokes
Mr C. H. P. Hay	Mr & Mrs Wilgress
Mr & Mrs Hotzmaister	Master Wilgress
Col. G. A. Hughes, R.A.M.C.	

THE WAVERLEY HOTEL.

Mr F. Airey (Staff Paymaster)	Mr H. C. McCleer
	Mr M. G. Moffatt
Mrs F. Airey	Captain J. Petersen
Mr J. H. Bell	Mrs Petersen & child
Mr G. Blood	Mr Lewis O. Rees
Mr J. Cotter	Mr F. H. Sargeut
Commander F. W. Dean	Mr R. P. Sharpe
	Mr W. Stopani
Mrs Dean	Mr Templeman
Mr John Hays	Mr H. B. Townsend
Mr & Mrs Knölke	Mr N. S. P. Trimingham
Mr Charles W. Marshall	Mrs S. Wessel

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	Dr Lopez
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Mr W. Doyle	Mr Benito Mestres
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Mr J. T. Hawks	Mr B. L. Palmer
Mr R. Hemmings	Mr J. Robinson
Mr J. C. Hoffmeister	Mr Percy J. Spur
Mr Jewitt	Mr E. T. Thwaites
Rev. H. Goodman Johnson	Mr E. Warder
	Mr Edgar West
Mr H. I. Ling	

QUEEN'S HOTEL.

Mr & Mrs G. Andrews	Mr E. Mangelsdorff
Mr G. Bernasconi	Mr K. Nakashina
Mr Block	Mrs J. R. Redforn & 2 children
Mr H. B. Carter	
Mr J. Cronin	Mr A. Reid
Mrs J. Edwards	Mr Sebes
Mr T. Harman	Mr M. Stapelfeldt
Miss Houghton	Major & Mrs Strickland, I.M.S.
Mr Carl Kising	
Mr and Mrs Keith & 2 children	Mr J. R. Symington
	Captain and Mrs P. Wissing
Dr Keyt	
Mr Loges	

CRAIGIEBURN.

Mrs E. F. Anderson	Mr and Mrs J. S. Harvey
Miss Anderson	
Mrs Besnard	Mr W. Helms
Mr G. Brusse	Mr F. P. Hett
Mr and Mrs G. K. Dann	Lieut. & Mrs F. W. Lambelle
Mrs A. Denison	Capt. & Mrs Parker
Capt. and Mrs L. F. Garrard, Jr.	Mr and Mrs C. B. Whitehead
Mr & Mrs C. Georg	

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

December 26.

Hongkong Maru, Japanese str., 3,447, W. E. Filmer, San Francisco Nov. 25, via Honolulu Dec. 2, Yokohama 15, Kobe 16, Nagasaki 18, and Manila 24, Mails and General.—TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

Loongmoon, German steamer, 1,245, F. Scholz, Shanghai December 23, General.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

Hikosan Maru, Japanese steamer, 2,302, Peter Hallstrom, Moji Dec. 20, Coal.—MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA.

Clive, British transport, 1,761, Comdr Piffard, R.I.M., Shanghai Dec. 22, Troops.—GOVERNMENT.

Haihao, French str., 509, M. Merlees, Haiphong Dec. 24, General.—A. R. MARTY.

Hanoi, French steamer, 739, P. Merlees, Haiphong Dec. 23, via Hoihow 25, General.—A. R. MARTY.

Hsieh-Ho, Chinese str., from Canton.

December 27.

Tingsang, British str., from Canton.

Taiyuan, British str., 1,800, Wm. B. Brown, Australian Ports Dec. 2, via Manila 23, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Bjorn, Norwegian steamer, 722, A. N. Christensen, Moji December 21, Coal.—CARLOWITZ & Co.

Tonkin, French steamer, 2,327, Schmitz, Yokohama and Shanghai Dec. 25, at 6 a.m., Mails and General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

Tsurugisan Maru, Japanese str., 2,559, J. Narasaki, Moji Dec. 21, Coal.—MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA.

Nijni Norgorod, Russian str., 1,892, J. Lachmatoff, Odessa Nov. 14, General.—VOLUNTEER FLEET.

Rohilla Maru, Japanese str., 2,399, E. P. Bishop, Manila Dec. 24, General.—MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA.

DEPARTURES.

December 26.

Ningchow, for Nagasaki and Vancouver.
Sungkiang, for Amoy.
Paoting, for Canton.
Sullberg, for Canton.

December 27.

Sado Maru, for Singapore and London.
Mongkut, for Bangkok.
Loongmoon, for Canton.
Savoia, for Canton.
Katsuyama Maru, for Canton.
Hyson, for Singapore and London.
Kachidate Maru, for Kutchinotzu.
Thales, for Swatow.
Yawata Maru, for Nagasaki.
Wuhu, for Kobe.
Yuensang, for Manila.
Picciola, for Canton.
Kwongsang, for Shanghai.
Deuteros, for Kobe.
Korea, for Shanghai.
Nijni Norgorod, for Port Arthur.
Indradeo, for Shanghai.
Clive, British transport, for Calcutta.

CLEARED.

Daphne, for Amoy.
Tsurugisan Maru, for Kutchinotzu.
Daigi Maru, for Swatow.
Tingsang, for Shanghai.
Hikosan Maru, for Moji.
Hoihow, for Canton.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Hongkong Maru*, from San Francisco, &c., Mr and Mrs D. Gordan, Mr and Mrs J. S. Leeds, Mr and Mrs Geo. Harrison, Mr and Mrs L. R. Carter, Mr and Mrs J. B. Schroeder, Mrs Clarke Salmon, Mr and Mrs G. du Bois, Mr and Mrs W. P. Hill, Mrs M. E. Cook, Misses H. M. Gowing and Hawes, Rev. J. O. Denning and family (4), Mr Shanks and family (5), Lieut. C. F. Birney, Comdr. Barry, U.S.N., Messrs W. W. Curtis, A. Rosenwald, Pow Kit Shun, H. C. McCleer, F. H. Sargent, H. M. Garland, J. Anley, A. Fehr, H. T. Safford, T. M. Johnson, Cecil Bent, A. G. Webster, W. Anderson, 1 European and 292 Chinese.

Per *Clive*, from Shanghai: for Hongkong, Major Gordon Cumming, Lieuts. Rundle, Aylen and Turner; for Calcutta, Major Maxwell, Capts. Wright and Robson, Lieuts. Smith, McKenne, Gwyer, Halbert, Clarke, Birdwood, Capt. Perkington, and Lieut. Lapsby, I.M.S.

Per *Hoihao*, from Haiphong, Mr Morrison.

Per *Taiyuan*, from Sydney, &c., Mr and Mrs Davis, Master Davis, Messrs Wright, Long, and Wingard, and 20 Chinese.

Per *Rohilla Maru*, from Manila, Capt. and Mrs Howell, U.S.A., Mr and Mrs Bissell, Mrs W. de Zorza, Mons. E. Mayer, Major Griffiths, U.S.A., Messrs C. A. Peabody, J. W. Osborne, C. H. French, H. M. Mickel, E. S. Reader, A. Landry, and Whites.

Per *Sado Maru*, from Shanghai, &c.: for Hongkong, Dr and Mrs E. B. McDaniels, Mr and Mrs Mason, Mrs F. Maruyama, Mr and Miss Woo, Dr W. Lambert, Messrs Jno. Lambert, S. J. Godwin, P. D. Saklatrala, T. Tsuno, and K. Inouye; for Singapore, Mr C. H. B. Wood; for Colombo, Messrs H. Kennedy and Thawoomal; for Port Said, Mr H. J. Goshner; for Marseilles, Mr and Mrs L. Foga, Messrs K. Nishi and U. Kawabara; for London, Capt. Evans, Capt. H. Hill, Messrs Geo. Philip, L. T. Tetley, A. Stewart, H. H. Gilby, S. Takaishi, R. Brewer, R. Scott, and P. Dinsdale.

Per *Tonkin*, for Hongkong: from Nagasaki, Mr Palsdorff; from Shanghai, Lieut.-Col. Mangoo Ahmad Khan, Messrs J. Tetsch, J. Schregardus, Schlumberger, N. K. Antia, Karl Oldoerp, Jonah Isaac. W. W. Roland, H. James, J. Favre and servant, and Sister Scoccia.

DEPARTED.

Per *Prinzess Irene*, from Hongkong: for Shanghai, Messrs G. C. Hadden, L. S. Webb, H. W. Buchland, F. Kohler, C. M. Silva, J. M. Michael, Jules Jadot, Mrs Perceboire and child, Miss M. Machado, Miss C. Ribeiro and brother; for Nagasaki, Mr Isumido; for Kobe, Messrs R. Lenzmann and J. N. Dastur; for Yokohama, Messrs G. Degert, Kesoomall, Layaram, W. L. Richardson, Freiherr M. von Tessin, and Freiherr F. von Cottendorf.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUI.—
Per *Daigi Maru*, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 28th December.

For KUMCHUK & SAMSHUI.—
Per *Tungkong*, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 28th December.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—

The French Contract Packet *Tonkin* will be despatched on MONDAY, the 29th Dec., with Mails to the United Kingdom, the Continent of Europe, and places beyond, *via Marseilles*; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, Madras, the Australasian Colonies, Aden, Natal and the Cape, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

Printed Matter and Samples at 10 a.m.
Registration at 10 a.m.
(Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 a.m.)
Letters at 11 a.m.
Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 a.m. Extra Postage 10 cents.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eleven Sections, commencing from Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked h., near the Kowloon shore k., and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked c., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to Jardine's Wharf.
3. From Jardine's Wharf to the Harbour's Office
4. From Harbour Master's to the Market.
5. From The Market to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to Blue Buildings.
8. From Blue Buildings to East Point.
9. From Kellet's Island to North Point.
10. Kowloon Wharves.
11. Jardine's Wharf.

Vessels' Names.	Anchorage.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons nett.	Date of Arrival	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers.								
Adria	k w	Schaarschmidt	Ger. str.	3499	Dec. 25	Hamburg-Amerika Linie		
Amigo	3 c	Baltzer	Ger. str.	771	Dec. 23	Jebsen & Co.		
Anamba	3 c	Cortzen	Danish str.	1158	Dec. 15	Chinese		
Arratoon Apcar	4 c	Belson	British str.	1730	Dec. 22	David Sassoon & Co., Ld.	S'pore & Calcutta	Dec. 30.
Athenian	4 c	Mowatt	British str.	2440	Dec. 21	C. P. R. Co.	Vancouver (B.C.)	Dec. 31.
Bjorn	8 c	Christensen	Norw. str.	722	Dec. 27	Carlowitz & Co.		
Brunhilde	4 c	Selk	Ger. str.	872	Dec. 18	Sander, Wieler & Co.		
Chingtu	4 c	Dawson	British str.	1459	Dec. 25	Butterfield & Swire	Sydney, &c.	Dec. 29.
Chow Tai	3 c	Textor	Ger. str.	1115	Dec. 17	Butterfield & Swire		
Croydon	7 c	Kerr	British str.	2410	Dec. 25	Dodwell & Co., Limited.		
Daigi Maru	3 c	Groves	Japan. str.	846	Dec. 24	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	Swatow & Tamsui	Dec. 28.
Decima	3 c	Schlaikier	Ger. str.	965	Dec. 20	Sander, Wieler & Co.		
Daphne	3 c	Schipper	Ger. str.	1291	Dec. 22	East Asiatic Trading Co.		
Elita Nossack	3 c	Bruhn	Ger. str.	1161	Dec. 20	E. A. Trading Co.		
Empress of China	5 c	Archibald	British str.	3003	Dec. 24	C. P. R. Co.		
Hangchow	4 c	Mawley	British str.	999	Dec. 19	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Hanoi	3 c	Merlees	French str.	739	Dec. 26	A. R. Marty		
Hermann Menzell		Schutt	Ger. str.	1035	Dec. 19	East Asiatic Trading Co.	....	A'deen Dock
Hikosan Maru	8 c	Hallstrom	Japan. str.	2245	Dec. 26	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha	Moji	Dec. 28.
Hinsang	8 c	Sawer	British str.	1537	Dec. 25	Jardine, Matheson & Co		
Haihao	4 c	Merlees	French str.	509	Dec. 26	A. R. Marty		
Hoihow	3 c	Tuebben	British str.	896	Dec. 26	Butterfield & Swire		
Holstein	3 c	Lorenzen	Ger. str.	985	Dec. 22	Jebsen & Co.		
Hongkong Maru	4 c	Filmer	Japan. str.	3447	Dec. 26	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	S'hai & San F'cisco	Dec. 31.
Hsieh-Ho	3 c	Crawford	Chi. str.	1282	Dec. 26	C. M. S. N. Co.		
Indradeo	4 c	Easterbrook	British str.	3457	Dec. 23	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Kolgan	3 c	Speed	British str.	1142	Dec. 13	Butterfield & Swire		
Kampot	3 c	Bavay	French str	412	Dec. 21	Chinese		
Kansu	3 c	Baddeley	British str.	1138	Dec. 13	Butterfield & Swire		
Kowloon	2 h	Stehr	Ger. str.	1487	Dec. 22	Siemssen & Co.		
Kwang Lee	3 c	Lincoln	Chi. str.	1467	Dec. 24	C. M. S. N. Co.		
Kwangtah	3 c	Lunt	Chi. str.	1536	Dec. 20	C. M. S. N. Co.		
Lyeemoon	3 c	Lehmarin	Ger. str.	1238	Dec. 20	Siemssen & Co.		
Mechew	3 c	Hayes	Ger. str.	996	Nov. 24	Melchers & Co.		
Marie Jebsen	3 c	Hemmert	Ger. str.	1779	Dec. 17	Jebsen & Co.		
Nanchang	1 0	Finlayson	British str.	1158	Dec. 23	Butterfield & Swire		
Ness	8 c	Peart	British str.	1961	Dec. 21	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha		
Ningpo	3 c	Richards	British str.	1282	Dec. 20	Butterfield & Swire		
Paoting	3 c	Caswell	British str.	1072	Dec. 24	Butterfield & Swire		
Phra Nang		Reimers	Ger. str.	1021	Nov. 24	Butterfield & Swire	....	K'loon Dock
Picciola	3 c	Moller	Ger. str.	1062	Dec. 26	E. A. Trading Co.		
Prinsesse Marie	3 c	Barendtsen	Danish str.	4000	Dec. 13	Order		
Prosper	3 c	Christiansen	Ger. str.	889	Dec. 21	Order		
Quarta	3 c	Johannsen	Ger. str.	1146	Dec. 15	Sander, Wieler & Co.		
Rohilla Maru	3 c	Bishop	Japan. str.	3869	Dec. 27	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha	Manila	Dec. 30.
Savoia	3 c	Rebbelmund	Ger. str.	1695	Dec. 25	Hamburg-Amerika Linie		
Silesia	4 c	Ghezzo	Aus. str.	3346	Dec. 25	Sander, Wieler & Co.		
Shinano Maru	4 c	Thompson	Japan. str.	3960	Dec. 20	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	S'hai & Seattle	Dec. 30.
Sullberg	3 c	Meyer	Ger. str.	780	Dec. 24	Siemssen & Co.		
Taiyuan	4 c	Brown	British str.	1800	Dec. 27	Butterfield & Swire	Kobe	Dec. 31.
Thea	3 c	Ohlerich	Ger. str.	994	Dec. 14	Jebsen & Co.		
Tingsang	4 c	Anderson	British str.	1045	Dec. 27	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Tonkin	5 c	Schmitz	French str.	2327	Dec. 27	Messageries Maritimes	Europe, &c.	Dec. 29.
Tremont	3 c	Garlick	Amer. str.	9606	Dec. 23	Dodwell & Co., Limited	Tacoma, &c.	Dec. 30.
Tsurugisan Maru	8 c	Narasaki	Japan. str.	2559	Dec. 27	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha		
Victoria	3 c	Casey	British str.	1507	Nov. 18	Shewan, Tomes & Co.		
Victoria	4 c	Panton	Amer. str.	2152	Dec. 20	Dodwell & Co., Ld.		
Wongkoi	3 c	Reher	Ger. str.	1115	Dec. 22	Butterfield & Swire		
Sailing Vessels.								
Daylight	2 c	Reade	B. 4-m. bk.	3600	Oct. 31	Standard Oil Co.		
Drumburton	2 k	Thomas	British sh.	1773	Dec. 19	Standard Oil Co.		
Evie J. Ray	2 k	Carson	Amer. bqe.	917	Dec. 13	Sander, Wieler & Co.		
Grosvenor	2 c	Boga	Brit. bqe.	516	June 13	Order		
J. H. Lunsmann	2 c	Johnsen	Amer. sh.	9000	Dec. 15	Order		
Lothair	2 c	[illegible]	Ital. bqe.	794	Dec. 4	Carlowitz & Co.		

STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL.

[SUPPLIED THROUGH REUTER.]

Breconshire, Nippon, Nov. 14; *Indrani, Clavardon*, 25; *Antenor, Caledonien*, 28; *Ambria, Socotra*, Dec. 2; *Glengyle, Telemachus, Silex, St. Hugo, Wurzburg, Lothian, Sanuki Maru*, 5; *Banca, Spithead, C. Ferd. Laeisz*, 9; *Menelaus, Benaloe, Prometheus, Palawan, Lowther Castle*, 12; *Ceylon, Braemar, Java, H. Thordis*, 16; *Socotra* 17; *Hakata Maru, Darmstadt, Pyrrhus, Gera*, 19; *Benclench, Salazie, Deucalion, Sithonia*, 23.

Mails.

The P. M. S. S. *China*, with mails &c., from San Francisco to the 23rd Dec. via Honolulu, has arrived at Yokohama, and left for this port via Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the morning of the 23rd Dec.

The T. K. K. s.s. *Nippon Maru*, with mails &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki, and Shanghai, on the 19th Dec.

Steamers Expected.

The P. & O. Co.'s s.s. *Manila* left Singapore for this port on the 22nd Dec., at 6 p.m.

The P. & O. Co.'s s.s. *Pekin* left Singapore for this port on the 20th Dec., at 8 a.m.

The Ben Line steamer *Benlawers*, from Leith and London, left Singapore on the 22nd Dec. for this port.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Kumano Maru* left Kobe, via Moji and Nagasaki for this port on the 23rd Dec., and is expected here on the 30th.

The H. A. L. str. *Ambria*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 25th Dec., and may be expected here on or about the 31st inst.

The s.s. *Namsang*, from Calcutta and the Straits, left Singapore for this port on the 22nd Dec., at 7 p.m.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Bombay Maru* left Kobe via Moji for this port on the 24th Dec., and is expected to arrive here on the 31st Dec.

The Barber Line s.s. *Shimosa* sailed from New York on the 26th Oct. for Hongkong, China and Japan.

The Boston Tow Boat Co.'s s.s. *Pleiades* sailed from Victoria, B.C., for Yokohama and the usual ports on the 4th Dec.

The P. and A. S.S. *Indravelli* left Portland (Or.), for this port via Yokohama, Kobe and Moji on Wednesday, the 10th Dec., and may be expected here on or about the 10th Jan.

Latest Advices.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Kumano Maru* left Nagasaki for this port on the 26th Dec., and is expected to arrive here on the 30th Dec.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Empress of Japan* left Yokohama on Friday afternoon, the 26th Dec., for Victoria and Vancouver.

Temperature.

HONGKONG, December 27, 1902.

BAROMETER—	9 A.M.	30.25
Do.	1 P.M.	30.18
Do.	4 P.M.	—
THERMOMETER—	9 A.M.	62
Do.	1 P.M.	63
Do.	4 P.M.	—
Do.	(Wet bulb) 9 A.M.	56
Do.	Do. 1 P.M.	57
Do.	Do. 4 P.M.	—
Do.	Maxim	—
Do.	Minimum over night	60

China Coast Meteorological Register.

26th December.—AT 4 P.M.

Station.	Hours.	Barometer.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind Direction.	Wind Force.	Weather
Wl'ostock	2 p.	29.70	23	—	N	7	c
Nemuro	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hakodate	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tokio	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kochi	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nagasaki	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kagoshima	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Oshima	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Naha	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ishi'jima	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Taihoku	1 p.	30.35	—	—	E	8	—
Taichu	,,	30.20	—	—	N	6	—
Tainan	,,	30.21	—	—	N	4	—
Koshun	,,	30.21	—	—	NE	8	—
Pescadores	,,	30.27	—	—	NE	10	—
Gutzlaff	3 p.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sharp Pk.	,,	30.37	53	61	NE	7	b
Amoy	2.30p.	30.34	62	61	ENE	3	c
Swatow	3 p.	30.25	64	—	E	1	o
Canton	,,	30.29	61	55	—	0	o
Hongkong	4 p.	30.26	61	59	NE	1	o
Vict. Peak	,,	—	—	—	E	2	—
Gap Rock	,,	30.25	—	—	ENE	4	—
Macao	,,	30.29	65	—	N	1	c
Haiphong	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manila	,,	29.96	84	77	—	0	o
Malate	3 p.	—	—	—	WNW	1	o
Bacolod	,,	—	—	—	N	4	b
Iliolo	,,	29.93	84	—	E	2	c
Cebu	,,	29.93	83	—	N	2	b
C. S. James	4 p.	—	—	—	—	—	—

27th December.—AT 10 A.M.

Station.	Hours.	Barometer.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind Direction.	Wind Force.	Weather
Wl'ostock	7 a.	29.88	14	62	N	3	b
Nemuro	6 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hakodate	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tokio	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kochi	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nagasaki	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kagoshima	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Oshima	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Naha	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ishi'jima	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Taihoku	5 a.	30.31	—	—	E	6	—
Taichu	,,	30.21	—	—	N	2	—
Tainan	,,	30.20	—	—	N	4	—
Koshun	,,	30.21	—	—	NE	6	—
Pescadores	,,	30.24	—	—	NE	10	—
Gutzlaff	9 a.	30.49	34	69	WNW	2	bv
Sharp Pk.	,,	30.40	51	66	N	3	c
Amoy	6.30a.	30.37	55	80	NE	2	—
Swatow	9 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Canton	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hongkong	10 a.	30.35	60	72	N	1	o
Vict. Peak	,,	—	—	—	ENE	2	—
Gap Rock	,,	30.32	—	—	NE	4	—
Macao	,,	30.36	59	—	N	1	o
Haiphong	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manila	,,	30.08	82	70	SW	—	c
Malate	9 a.	—	—	—	E	1	b
Bacolod	,,	—	—	—	—	0	b
Iloilo	,,	30.02	89	—	NE	1	b
Cebu	,,	30.03	82	—	N	2	b
C. S. James	10 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—

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Hongkong Observatory, Dec. 27, 1902.

1. BAROMETER, reduced to 32° degrees Fahrenheit and to the level of the sea in inches, tenths, and hundredths.
2. TEMPERATURE, in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.
3. HUMIDITY, in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.
4. DIRECTION OF WIND, to two points.
5. FORCE OF WIND, according to Beaufort Scale
6. STATE OF WEATHER, b blue sky, c detached clouds, d drizzling rain, f fog, g gloomy, h hail, l lightning, o overcast, p passing showers, q squally, r rain, s snow, t thunder, v visibility, w dew (wet).
RAIN, in inches, tenths and hundredths.

VESSELS AT THE DOCKS:—*At Kowloon.*—Phra Nang, Likin, Pak Kong, Wongkoi, H.M.S. Janus, H.M.S. Goliath.

Cosmopolitan.—Amigo.

Aberdeen.—Athenian.

Hongkong Tides.

The Tide Table given below has been compiled by the Nautical Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1887-8-9.

The zero of the table is Low Water Ordinary Spring Tides, which has been found to be 2 feet below mean sea level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 5 ft. 7 in., and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 12 ft. 9 in. to the height given in the table.

28th to 3rd January.

Day of Week.	Day of Month.	High Water: Hongkong Mean Time. h m	High Water: Height. ft. in.	Low Water: Hongkong Mean Time. h m	Low Water: Height. ft. in.
Sun.	28	m 9 21	2 2	m 2 28	—0 7
		7 50 a	5 1	1 8 a	1 1
Mon.	29	m 10 3	2 2	m 3 2	—1 0
		8 20 a	5 3	1 48 a	1 1
Tues.	30	m 10 38	2 3	m 3 35	—1 3
		8 58 a	5 4	2 27 a	1 1
Wed.	31	m 11 9	2 3	m 4 5	—1 4
		9 26 a	5 3	3 4 a	1 1
Thur.	1	m 11 38	2 3	m 4 42	—1 4
		9 54 a	5 2	3 39 a	1 2
Fri.	2	0 6 a	2 3	m 5 17	—1 3
		10 25 a	4 9	4 13 a	1 3
Sat.	3	m 0 33 a	2 4	m 5 53	—1 1
		11 0 a	4 6	4 48 a	1 3

Exchange.

HONGKONG, December 27, 1902.

On London—
Bank, Wire ... 1/7⅛
,, On demand ... 1/7 3/16
,, 30 days' sight ... 1/7¼
,, 4 months' sight ... 1/7 7/16
Credit, 4 ,, ,, ... 1/7 9/16
Documentary, 4 months' sight ... 1/7 11/16
On Paris—
On demand ... 201
Credits, 4 months' sight ... 205
On Berlin—Demand ... 163½
On New York—
On demand ... 39
Credits, 60 days' sight ... 39¾
On Bombay—
Wire ... 119¼
On demand ... 119½
On Calcutta—
Wire ... 119¼
On demand ... 119½
On Singapore—
On demand ... ½ % pm.
On Manila—
On demand ... ¼ % pm.
On Shanghai—
On demand ... 71½
30 days' sight, (private paper) ... 72⅜
On Yokohama—
On demand ... 29¾ % pm.
Gold Leaf, 100 fine, (per tael) ... $65.20
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate) ... $12.46
Silver per oz. ... 22⅛d.

Hongkong Register.

	Previous day at 4 p.m.	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.19	30.35	30.26
Temperature	58	59	61
Humidity	72	66	59
Direction of Wind	N	N	NE
Force	2	1	1
Weather	OD	O	O
Rain	—	0.03	—

Highest open air temperature on the 25th ... 63
Lowest open air temperature on the 25th ... 54

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Hongkong Observatory, Dec. 26, 1902.

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination.	Vessels.	Agents.	Date of Leaving.
Australian Ports	Chingtu (s)	Butterfield & Swire	December 29.
Australian Ports	Eastern (s)	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Jan. 9, Daylight.
Bremen, &c.	Konig Albert (s)	Melchers & Co.	Jan. 6, at noon.
Genoa, L'don, Antwerp	Benlomond (s)	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	December 31.
Genoa and Hamburg	Strassburg (s)	Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	December 30.
Havre and Hamburg	Nurnberg (s)	Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	January 13.
Havre and Hamburg	Silesia (s)	Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	January 27.
Kobe	Pekin (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Dec. 31.
Kobe	Taiyuan (s)	Butterfield & Swire	December 31.
London	Peleus (s)	Butterfield & Swire	January 6.
London	Glenlochy (s)	McGregor Bros. & Gow	January 5.
London, &c.	Valetta (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Jan. 3, at noon.
Manila	Rohilla Maru (s)	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha	Dec. 30, at noon.
Marseilles via Saigon	Tonkin (s)	Messageries Maritimes	Dec. 29, at 1 p.m.
Nagasaki & W'stock	Savoia (s)	Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	Dec. 31, at noon.
New York	Adria (s)	Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	Dec. 28.
Ningpo and Shanghai	Kalgan (s)	Butterfield & Swire.	December 29.
SanF'cisco v. S. Rosalia	Victoria (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	About Dec. 28.
Shanghai	Lyeemoon (s)	Siemssen & Co.	Dec. 30, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai	Kansu (s)	Butterfield & Swire	December 31.
S'hai and Portland, Or	Indravelli (s)	Portland & A. S. Co.	January 14.
S'pore, Cl'bo & B'bay	Bombay Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Jan. 2, at noon.
S'pore, P'ang, Calcutta	Catherine Apcar (s)	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.	Dec. 30, at 3 p.m.
Swatow	Thales (s)	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Dec. 27, at 3 p.m.
S'tow, Amoy & F'chow	Hailoong (s)	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Dec. 30, at 9 a.m.
S'tow, Amoy & F'chow	Anping Maru (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	December 31.
S'tow, Amoy & Tamsui	Daigi Maru (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	December 28.
Vancouver (B.C.), &c.	Athenian (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	December 31.
Vancouver (B.C.), &c.	Empress of China (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	January 14.
Vancouver (B.C.), &c.	Empress of India (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	February 11.
Victoria via Japan, &c.	Pakling (s)	Butterfield & Swire	January 24.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Tremont (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	December 30.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Victoria (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	Jan. 3.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Olympia (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	January 17.
Y'ma, S'hai, Moji, Kobe	Manila (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Dec. 30.

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

DECEMBER 27, 1902.

Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid up.	Closing Quotations, Cash.
BANKS.				
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	80,000	$ 125	all	$662½, sales; London, £63
National Bank of China, Limited	19,970	£ 10	£ 8	$26, sellers
	29,955	£ 10	£ 8	$26, sellers
Do. Founders' shares	750	£ 1	£ 1	$10, sellers
MARINE INSURANCES.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ld.	10,000	$ 250	$ 50	$167½, sellers
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ld.	24,000	$ 83.33	$ 25	$58, sales & sellers
North-China Insurance Co., Ld.	5,000	£ 100	£ 25	Tls. 177½
Straits Insurance Co., Ld.	30,000	$ 100	$ 20	$1, nominal
Union Insurance Society, Ld.	10,000	$ 250	$ 50	$460, buyers
Yangtsze Insurance Association, Ld.	8,000	$ 100	$ 60	$133, sales
FIRE INSURANCES.				
China Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	20,000	$ 100	20	$84½, sellers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	8,000	$ 250	50	$345, sellers
DOCKS, ETC.				
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co. Ld.	50,000	$ 50	all	$210, buyers
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited	6,000	$ 25	$ 25	$50, sellers
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	6,000	$ 6¼	$ 6¼	$40, sellers
S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co. Ld.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls100	Tls. 180, ex div., sales
STEAMBOATS, TUGS, ETC.				
China and Manila S. S. Co., Ld.	20,000	$ 50	$ 50	$25, sellers
	10,000	$ 50	$ 15	nominal
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	$ 50	all	$41½, buyers
HK. C. and M. Steamboat Co., Ld.	80,000	$ 15	$ 15	$35, buyers
Indo-China S. N. Company, Limited	60,000	£ 10	all	$85, buyers
Star Ferry Company, Ld.	10,000	$ 10	$ 10	$23, sales & buyers
	10,000	$ 10	$ 5	$13, sales & buyers
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	2,000,000	£ 1	£ 1	£1.7.6, sellers
Shanghai Tug Boat Co., Ld.	2,000	Tls. 100	Tls100	Tls. 290, sales
Taku Tug and Lighter Co., Ld.	8,600	Tls. 50	Tls 50	Tls. 55, sellers
Shanghai Cargo Boat Co., Ld.	6,000	Tls. 100	Tls100	Tls. 145, buyers
Co-operative Cargo Boat Co., Ld.	3,000	Tls. 100	Tls100	Tls. 145, buyers
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Company, Limited	20,000	$ 100	all	$86, buyers
Luzon Sugar Company, Limited	7,000	$ 100	all	$12½, sellers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ld.	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls 50	Tls. 73½
WHARVES.				
HK. & Kow. Wharf & Godown Co.	30,000	$ 50	all	$88, buyers
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Co.	20,100	Tls. 100	Tls100	Tls. 310, sales
LAND AND BUILDING.				
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited	50,000	$ 100	100	$185, buyers
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ld.	39,000	Tls. 50	Tls.50	Tls. 125, sellers
Kowloon Land and Building Company	6,000	$ 50	$ 30	$31, buyers
Wei-hei-wei Land & Building Co., Ld	3,764	Tls. 25	Tls.25	Tls. 16
Humphreys Estate & Finance Co.	100,000	$ 10	all	$12
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	$ 50	$ 50	$57, buyers
TRAMWAYS.				
HK. High-Level Tramways Co., Ld.	1,250	$ 100	all	$345, sales
MINING.				
Jelebu Mining & Trading Co., Ld.	60,000	$ 5	all	$1¼, sellers
New Punjom Mining Co., Ld.	60,000	$ 10	all	$2¼, sellers
,, ,, Preference shares	30,000	$ 1	all	75 cents, sellers
Société Francaise des Charbonnages du Tonkin	16,000	Fcs. 250	all	$600, sellers
Raub Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ld.	200,000	£ 1	18/10	$6, buyers
HOTELS, ETC.				
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd.	12,000	$ 50	all	$141, sellers
Oriente Hotel, Manila	7,000	$ 50	$ 50	$37½ sellers
Astor House Hotel, Ltd. (Tientsin)	2,000	T.Tls.50	Tls.50	Tls. 140, sales
Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd. (S'hai)	30,000	$ 25	$ 25	$32½, sales
DISPENSARIES.				
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	60,000	$ 10	all	$14½, sellers
Watkins Limited	10,000	$ 10	$ 10	$7½, buyers
LIGHTING.				
HK. and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	£ 10	all	$140, buyers
Shanghai Gas Company, Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 50	Tls.50	Tls. 120, sales
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	30,000	$ 10	$ 10	$13.10, sales & buyers
New Electrics (new issue)	30,000	$ 10	$ 5	$6.65, sales & sellers
BRICK AND CEMENT.				
Green Island Cement Co., Ld.	50,000	$ 10	$ 10	$20¼
MISCELLANEOUS.				
Manila Investment Co., Ld.	20,000	$ 50	$ 50	$14½, sellers
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ld.	8,604	£ 12/6	£12/6	$1, buyers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	3,000 ord'y	$ 10	$ 4	$8½, sellers
	100 fders	$ 10	$ 10	$155
Hongkong Bakery Company, Ld.	600	$ 50	$ 5	$40, sellers
Hk. Steam Water-boat Co., Ltd.	7,000	$ 10	$ 7	$8.65, buyers
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co.	10,000	$ 7½	all	$11, sellers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	$ 25	all	$240, sellers
Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ltd.	7,200	£ 20	£ 20	Tls. 380, buyers
Tebrau Planting Company, Ltd.	20,000	$ 5	$ 5	nominal
H'kong Rope Manufactory Co., Ld.	10,000	$ 50	all	$120, buyers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ld.	120,0[illegible]	$ 10	$ 10	$17¼, sellers
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ld.	17,500	Tls. 100	Tls100	Tls. 40
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ld.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls.75	Tls. 40
Laou-Kung-Mow Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ld.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls100	Tls. 44
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ld.	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls500	Tls. 160
China Provident Loan Mortgage Co., Ld.	50,000	$ 10	$ 10	$9.85, buyers
China Borneo Company, Ltd.	7,500	$ 20	$ 15	$25, sellers
Universal Trading Co.	20,000	$ 20	$ 20	$22, buyers
Robinson Piano Co. Ltd.	4,000	$ 50	$ 50	$50, nominal
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	$ 10	all	$35
Wm. Powell, Limited	12,000	$ 10	$ 10	$9½, buyers
CIGAR COMPANIES.				
Philippine Tobacco Trust Co., Ld.	20,000	$ 50	$ 50	$30, sellers
Alhambra Limited	200	$ 500	[illegible]	$600, sellers

LOANS.	Amount.	Value.	Interest.	Quotation.
Chinese Imperial 1886 E Tls.	767,200	Tls. 250	7 % p. annum	10 % prem.

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